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PLAGUING THE PRESIDENT

The Fisheries and Office Questions Will Prove Troublesome to the Administration.

A Rebel Yell in the House—The Pension Arrearages Act to Be Extended.

Silver, Tariff Reduction, Polygamy, Telephone Litigation, the Spoils, and Other Talk from Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—There is growing evidence that the fisheries question is going to plague the Administration. A delegation is here from Boston to protest against the appointment of a commission and against any legislation looking towards a reenactment of the expired treaty. The pressure from other New England quarters is becoming very strong. The matter has been up informally in the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. Some of the members, from the tone of the discussion, are very much of the opinion that the committee was made up chiefly for the purpose of carrying out Secretary Bayard's wishes. Young Chairman Belmont has already shown a superserviceable zeal to do this. It happens that most of the Republican members of the committee are unusually well informed about the subject, and the effort to make the body a mere echo of the State Department promises to be a disastrous failure.

Speaking of plaguing the President, the office question comes up. In this connection Private Secretary Lamont said today in regard to the reported attitude of the President on the subject that as yet the President has not received any requests from the Senate for information as to official changes, and, consequently, there can be no truth in reports that he has receded from a position which he had been called on to take. Mr. Lamont added that the President has never made any statement as to what position he would assume in case such requests are made.

The Democratic Senators are evidently tired of caucusing. They will now await next week's developments. There are much conflicting talk about the President's intentions and more speculations about the outcome, but until the next executive session there can be little that is new. The *Star* tonight has the following on the situation:

It is said that the anxiety of some Democratic Senators to have the President refuse to submit papers on file respecting nominations to the Senate arises more from personal embarrassment the publication of such documents may cause them than from a desire to maintain Executive dignity. It is understood that the publication of such papers would disclose the fact that in some cases Senators have while professing an active interest in behalf of an applicant diligently pressed another for the place sought. So long, of course, as all papers for applicants and appointees remain buried in the files of departments the men who had only the pretended support of their Senators must remain in ignorance of the deception practiced upon them. There are Democratic Senators, however, who have no cause to fear the wrath of their constituents, and they have counseled the President to furnish to the Senate the papers relating to appointees when called for. This advice was followed in some, if not all of the Caucus Committee, and so far as can be ascertained the extent of the information which the Senate will get will be in the papers, and them alone, as it seems to be distinctly understood that the President will not formally explain his reasons to the Senate. At the same time it is understood that the President is willing to give Senators who may call upon him individually information with regard to nominations the fitness or character of which is questioned.

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"We are in the house of our fathers and we have come to stay," hissed George D. Wise this afternoon. He was discussing Boutelle's resolution to investigate the removal of Union soldiers to make room for ex-Rebels and the defacement of inscriptions commemorating Union victories. "We vote to pension your soldiers," he continued, turning patronizingly to the Republicans, "but we want it known that your soldiers——"

"Our soldiers" said Mr. Boutelle inquiringly. "Our soldiers, did you say?"

Wise paused and looked over his own side of the house, where there were many who had been his comrades in the Rebel army. He hesitated, stammered a little, and finally articulated pettishly, "Well, then 'our' soldiers," and there was faint applause from Abram S. Hewitt.

The Boutelle resolution gave the Democrats much trouble. [The full debate, printed elsewhere, will show this.] Randall was in his seat most of the time, but he seemed rather pleased at the plight of his party friends and made no effort for their relief. Morrison moved about among the members, but he was voiceless, and the burden of upholding the gag law fell on A. S. Hewitt. He declared he sympathized with the minority in its desire for debate, because he had been there himself, and had been compelled to fight many a weary hour to uphold that right. But under existing circumstances it was clap-trap, as the rules of the House made sufficient provision, and when there was something to debate ample time would be afforded. Boutelle had only fifteen minutes to talk, but he managed to compress some unpalatable facts into his remarks. After reciting the circumstances of the navy-yard removals, and the summary dismissal of the man who protested against defacing the inscriptions, he contrasted this with the spirit of the South, which was still erecting monuments to the apostles of disunionism and to the Rebel Generals. Since the marble memorials in the South to its heroes were growing more numerous and the spirit of Rebeldom was becoming more exultant, it might be well to heed the protests of old Union soldiers and not apologize for their deeds just yet. The challenge to Wise to support his statement about that "circular" by evidence was waved disdainfully aside by Wise as unworthy of answer from the champion of the Rebel cause on the floor of the House. He was just getting well into a glowing eulogy of the Lost Cause when his arrogant assertions of what could be expected under a Democratic Administration were cut short by the expiration of his time. Gen. Negley on the Republican side at once moved that the time of the gentleman from Virginia be extended, and was seconded by a dozen members. But the leaders on the Democratic side were beginning to get alarmed. The old Rebel spirit was warming up so rapidly that it threatened to carry the party beyond the bounds of discretion. So they objected strenuously, declaring they didn't want any more time for Mr. Wise. They thought he had said enough, and the Southern Bourbons whose enthusiasm had been aroused were regretfully compelled to acquiesce in this decision. When the embraces showered upon Wise by his tearful colleagues from the South began to let up and there was a chance for the House to get down to business the amended resolution was carried through by Democratic votes. The Republicans were so ashamed of themselves for presuming to appear in the halls of Mr. Wise's political fathers that they didn't even vote in the negative lest they might have to apologize for doing so. After the Speaker's announcement that the amended resolution had been adopted Morrison came to the front and easily vindicated his claim to the leadership of the majority by securing the adoption of a motion that "when the House do adjourn it adjourn to meet Monday next."

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The House Committee on Invalid Pensions will favor the extension of the Arrearages act till Jan. 1, 1888. Haste has been made to take this action in order that the Widows bill may be got through without having tacked on it amendments intended to repeal the limitation clause of the Arrearages law. There is thought to be a reasonable certainty that the House will extend the benefits of the Arrearages law to the date mentioned, and if this is done the Senate is sure to acquiesce. Senator Sherman, who was opposed to the original law, is said to have written to some Ohio constituents to the effect that he now favored the repeal of the limitation clause.

A rather interesting point has recently been decided by the Second Controller of the Treasury. In the early part of the War for the Union there was a good deal of confusion in the manner in which troops were raised and enrolled. At that time a good many soldiers failed to receive any pay until they were mustered into the service. They may have enlisted and been, to all intents and purposes, soldiers for a considerable time previous to being examined and mustered into the service of the United States. A good many paymasters regarded soldiers as State militia until they were formally mustered into the service, and so failed to pay them prior to that time. Later in the War the rule always prevailed of paying from the time of enlistment. The auditing officers of the Treasury have always refused to open the paymasters' accounts again and look up these matters. But the decision of the Second Auditor on this particular case has made it necessary that the soldier be paid. It is believed that there are a good many cases where a small sum is due to soldiers in this way. In some instances it will probably not amount to more than 50 cents, and in others it is probably much larger. The Treasury officials dread the toil that is entailed by the reopening of paymasters' accounts, but there is no other way if the decision is correct.

One phase of pension legislation relating to cases of total disability seems likely to receive attention this session. There are several measures in both Houses looking to increasing the amounts for pensioners of this class from $72 to $100 per month. This has brought out that a distinction exists and that some who are drawing pensions for fatal disability are getting $72 a month, while others receive only $50. The law of June, 1880, provided that all persons then receiving $50 monthly for total disability should thereafter receive $72. But those who have proved their disability and got their pensions allowed since that time under the construction given the law get only $50. The proof in all the cases of this kind is very strict, the requirement being that the necessity of a constant attendant be shown. Locomotor ataxia is generally the malady which is proved. This class of pensioners is not large, but there seems to be no reason why the amount allowed should not be the same in all cases. Senator Cullom, who has received a number of letters from Illinois veterans on the subject, may introduce a bill to correct the injustice.

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A Democratic Senator who disagrees with a majority of his party friends in Congress on financial questions says he has no doubt that the Senate will adopt as a substitute for the Eustis resolution a resolution requiring interest on the public debt and the principal of the debt to be paid out of the money received in payment of customs duties. The least that the silver men are likely to do is to change laws so as to require the coinage of the full amount of the monthly maximum under the act for coinage of standard silver dollars.

The anti-silver members of the House Coinage Committee are again agitating the retirement of trade dollars. They desire to get them out of the way, and now seem to be willing to abandon their demand in the Forty-eighth Congress that the amount shall be deducted from the coinage of the standard silver dollars. If they should fully decide to make this concession to the silver men it is believed a bill simply providing for the redemption of the trade dollar could readily be passed through both Houses.

The law providing that fractional silver coin may be exchanged for paper when presented in sums of $20 or upwards is now pretty generally considered a mistake by members of Congress and Treasury officials alike. The intention of the law was to make the currency elastic, and to prevent the accumulation of a surplus of any one kind of money. It has in practice had the opposit effect. It has piled up the fractional coin in the Treasury. There has been no new fractional coin put forth since 1878, and yet there is now more than $28,000,000 of it in the Treasury that should be in circulation. Mr. Bland has in contemplation a bill that will make fractional coin a part of the reserve fund of National banks. That will make banks much more willing to accept it. Now the moment the banks have any surplus of it they turn it over to the Treasury and get paper therefor. England has no arrangement whatever for the redemption of its silver, and there is thought to be no reason why the United States should ever redeem its coins except when they become worn. This provision will probably be made in the new bill that will be introduced.

Treasurer Jordan has taken some pains to calculate the average wear of coins. He finds that a silver dollar will wear away 6 per cent in twenty years; a 50-cent piece, 3 per cent; and so on. It is believed that a bill of the kind proposed by Mr. Bland will meet favor both East and West.

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The evasion of customs duties in the importation of Sumatra tobacco is likely to engage the attention of Congress soon. There are several hundred tobacco farmers on a small scale in Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin. The New York district represented by Mr. Hiscock and the Connecticut district of Mr. Buck also have a large number of the same class. Through the pressure of these people seven or eight tobacco bills have been introduced, all having the same object. At a recent meeting of the Congressmen from the districts affected it was decided to go before the Ways and Means Committee and ask a hearing, which will probably be given at an early day.

In this connection the correspondence of Isaac Bell, the United States Minister to the Netherlands, with the State Department has an important bearing. It is now before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. A month ago Minister Bell transmitted to Secretary Bayard a statement of the Sumatra tobacco trade. The tobacco is brought to Amsterdam and then exported to the United States. After describing the rapid growth of the trade, which in 1883 amounted to 100,000 bales, the correspondence gives a portion of an article in a leading Dutch commercial journal. In this the ingenuous assertion is made that "our—i. e.: the Dutch—industry in Sumatra has already found means to escape from the effort of the American Government to prejudice its interest by a preparation or a modified packing." This means that the systematic "nesting" practiced in the packing of Sumatra tobacco with a view to evading the United States customs laws has been successful. Another letter from Minister Bell is in reference to a declaration from the Dutch Minister of Foreign Affairs that his Government proposed to take some retaliatory action against the United States on account of the discrimination of the United States against Sumatra tobacco. The retaliation, as appears later, was to be on petroleum and sawn timber. A measure was first brought before the States-General of Holland to increase the duty on refined petroleum imported into the Dutch Colonies from five pence to one shilling and six pence per can. Then came the proposition for imposing import duties in the Netherlands on sawn timber, as well as on petroleum. This measure the Dutch Government is now pressing. From this project the estimate is that 1,000,000 florins revenue would be raised. Of this, 800,000 florins, or about $400,000, would be on the petroleum imports. The scheme will be taken up when the States-General meets again in February. The coal-oil men have become alarmed at the outlook. They have sent a lobby to Washington to protest that their interest is bigger than that of all the small tobacco-growers combined. They don't want any sort of legislation that will give the Dutch Government an excuse for striking back at them. But the small tobacco-growers from the States mentioned above are very urgent. What exasperates them the most is that the law under which the Sumatra evasions have been so easily made was passed for their special benefit. That the business is enormously profitable to the Dutch capitalist there seems little question. In his correspondence Minister Bell says that several of the Rotterdam companies, according to the statements of their own papers, have declared annual dividends of 100 per cent. The statement is made here that an Amsterdam syndicate has enjoyed a net profit of 400 per cent.

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The papers in the telephone case have at last been sent to the Attorney-General's office and Solicitor-General Goode put in this afternoon looking them over. He said that the only thing yet decided was that the suit should be brought, but where and when had not been settled. He preferred Washington as the most convenient place. The documents submitted by Secretary Lamar are very voluminous, consisting of his own report, accompanied by those of his two assistants and the Commissioner of Patents, with the arguments of the attorneys in the case. Until these have been carefully gone through, and a consultation held with the opposing counsel, nothing can be determined upon. Solicitor Goode thought the announcement of the place and time of hearing the suit would be made the first of next week.

Prof. Elisha Gray was here today looking after the interests of his new stock company. He went to New York tonight for the same purpose. Prof. Gray said that the company had been organized for the purpose of pushing his claims against the Bell people and if it should be successful in establishing his right to patents it would go into manufacturing telephones and putting up lines for public service. He had heard nothing about the status of the telephone case except that suit would be brought in the District of Columbia. He was leaving all these matters to his lawyers.

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Mr. Breckinridge of Arkansas, a member of the Ways and Means Committee, said today that no tariff bill will be reported till late in the session. About 100 bills relating to the tariff have already been introduced and referred to the committee. They will be carefully studied, and the members who introduced them will have an opportunity to be heard by the committee in support of their measures. After the committee has obtained all the light it desires a general tariff bill is to be framed, and this bill will reflect the tariff views of the Chairman of the committee, Mr. Morrison. The opinions of the Democrats who opposed the "Horizontal" bill of the last Congress have been ascertained, and it is found that they are disposed as a rule to support a moderate bill at this session.

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The alleged movement of Northwestern railroads for a reduction of the duty on steel rails is receiving some attention here. The Congressmen have been inquiring for the circular said to have been sent out inviting the cooperation of other roads, but none of them have been secured yet. The gist of the circular is said to be an inquiry if there can be any good reason why railroads should not receive as much protection from the Government as fifteen or twenty steel-rail mills whose employés are insignificant in numbers compared with the vast army of railway employés in the country. It is claimed that very few of the railroads are making a fair interest on the capital invested, while the steel-rail corporations are declared to be making enormous profits. The present tariff on steel rails is $17 per ton. The assertion is made that this could be easily reduced $10 or $11 per ton and not affect the wages of the workmen employed, though it might cut down the profits of the manufacturers.

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The House River and Harbor Committee gave a further hearing this morning to the Mississippi River improvement and Hennepin Canal project. Dave Littler, John C. Dore, and several others did the talking. Among other speakers were J. Phelan of Memphis, on the Mississippi River; James Flower of New Orleans, who read a paper for E. K. Converse of New Orleans; Dr. Arthur of Kansas, A. K. Sullivan of Nebraska, S. Y. Tupper of South Carolina, John Scrivener of Georgia, and Maj. C. W. Raymond, United States army. Mr. Platt B. Walker of Minneapolis also delivered an address in which he favored the Hennepin Canal.

The delegation from the South Atlantic Harbor Improvement Convention, which met in Savannah, Ga., in November last, with representatives from seven Southern States, are also here to present to Congress a memorial embodying the views and action of the Savannah Convention. They have had a hearing before the Senate Committee on Commerce and the House River and Harbor Committee. This afternoon they called upon President Cleveland, who expressed much interest in the convention, and said his views had changed much since, as Governor of New York, he expressed his ideas regarding the transportation question. He is now profoundly impressed with the importance of developing the natural waterways of the country with public money. The reason why he had not treated the subject in his message was not because he underestimated its importance, but because he did not have time to give it that close and careful study without which he was reluctant to commit himself to any recommendations upon any points of public policy. He said he hoped to see the commercial facilities of every section improved and developed as rapidly as is consistent with the wise and economical expenditure of public funds.

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The Senate Committee on Post-Offices and Post-roads this morning divided the work before it among sub-committees. The several postal-telegraph bills will be looked after by Messrs. Wilson (Iowa), Sawyer, and Saulsbury. The bill defining what shall be called fourth and what second class matter was referred to Senators Chace, Wilson (Iowa), and Wilson (Maryland). Messrs. Conger, Wilson (Iowa), and Maxey will have charge of the bill relating to the appointment of railway postal clerks, and of the one authorizing the Postmaster-General to increase the pay of clerks of the fourth and fifth class.

The number of applications for the Hillsboro (Ill.) Post-Office is increasing rather than decreasing. There have been filed with the Postmaster-General the applications and indorsements of the following citizens: P. J. Edwards, Jacob Beck, Mrs. Etta Young, J. B. Barrenger, E. S. Burns, Ed Whittaker, and B. E. Johnson. They all expect to get the place, but Eden's man, when the Congressman makes a pull for him, will probably be successful.

Clinton Rosette of De Kalb does not appear to have completed his "business in the departments" yet, and acts as if he was quite uneasy about his confirmation as Postmaster. He begins to appreciate the fact that both the Illinois Senators were warm friends of Gen. Grant.

The following fourth class Postmasters were appointed today:

Illinois—W. C. Pierson, Pierson Station; George A. Emrick, Rock Grove; C. D. Paulter, Rumo; Francis M. Brashen, White Oak Springs; J. F. Bovie, Aid; James A. Leeds, Allendale; John Dougherty, Dawson; Joseph H. Cully, De Soto; J. T. B. Pettibone, Hebron; Henry J. Wehner, Low Point.

Iowa—J. N. Keller, Elkhart; H. J. Brockman, Massilion; Robinson Gannoway, Pleasant Grove.

Michigan—Frank Boomstra, Drenthe; Mrs. Elizabeth H. Hoyte, Walled Lake.

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The Western Cattlemen held a conference with Mr. Colman, Commissioner of Agriculture, relative to the proposed amendments to the law for exterminating cattle diseases. Views were interchanged as to the best means for increasing the efficiency of the department in this direction. They then went before the House Agricultural Committee and made a formal presentation of their demands. While there seemed to be a general agreement on the part of the committeemen that some legislation was desirable, they did not give unqualified assent to all the propositions submitted. There is a feeling that the Chicago Stock-Yards interests will oppose any radical law, and will seek to have as little agitation as possible. This is put on the ground that there is much exaggeration in all the reported cases of pleuro-pneumonia, and by magnifying these foreign Governments are given an excuse for discriminating against American meat.

Senator Edmunds' Anti-Polygamy bill is slumbering in the House Judiciary Committee. It was referred by that body to a sub-committee, consisting of Chairman J. Randolph Tucker and John R. Eden of Illinois (Democrats) and Mr. Stewart of Vermont (Republican). The latter was put on as the representative of Senator Edmunds. The sub-committee is not making undue haste, and some time will probably elapse before the measure is passed on by it. The Democratic opposition in the House promises to be much stronger than it was in the Senate. The Mormon lobby, which is here in force, expects to take the most objectionable features out of the bill, if it is not killed outright. The Mormons have more money than most of the big railroad corporations. They are already industriously sowing the seed for grave and constitutional doubts on the part of the House members.

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The House Committee on Territories devoted two hours this morning to hearing arguments in favor of and against the admission of Dakota. Judges Moody and Edgerton advocated the movement and Messrs. Boynton, Engel, and Johnson spoke against it—or rather in favor of the admission of the entire Territory as a State and against division. They took the ground that if a division was decided upon the Missouri River should be made the dividing line and the Territory divided from north to south instead of east to west. The hearing will be continued Monday.

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The Senate is to have the reasons for the carrying of mails over roads other than the Union Pacific. Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service John Jameson has prepared a report in answer to a resolution introduced by Senator Manderson asking for the information. He shows that by awarding mail contracts to the Southern Pacific and Northern Pacific and to other roads the mails reach their destination in from one to twenty-four hours quicker than if they were sent over the Union Pacific. The report says that the department aims, first of all, at dispatch in delivering mails, the road over which the delivery is made being a secondary matter.

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Lawler is girding his loins for another struggle in Mike Bailey's behalf. He has heard that Tom Courtney and some more of "them kickers" are coming to the Capital with more charges against the Superintendent of the Chicago Custom-House. Frank doesn't know exactly what move Courtney will make, but he has served formal notice at the Treasury Department and the Supervising Architect's office that he will stand no nonsense.

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Dr. Rush said tonight that he was still here on private business, and was not concerning himself about whisky legislation. Nevertheless he managed to see several Congressmen during the day and had a brief interview with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

JOHNS HOPKINS.

TROUBLE ANTICIPATED OVER THE LOCATION OF THIS EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Something of a stir has been created among the trustees and others interested in the Johns Hopkins University by a resolution offered by Senator Slingluff in the Legislature declaring that as it has become a question of grave doubt in the minds of the general public as to whether the trusts created by the last will of Johns Hopkins are being administered according to the intent of the deviser a special committee be appointed to investigate the matter and learn whether the trusts are being administered according to the intent of the founder. Although no charges or specifications are made the resolution no doubt has reference to the location of the university, about which there has been considerable agitation at various times. The late John W. Garrett and several other of the trustees, including Lewis N. Hopkins, a nephew of the founder, always contended that the will specially indicated that the university buildings should be located at Clifton, Baltimore County. The majority of the trustees favored the location in this city, and here the buildings are being constructed as fast as required to meet the needs of the university. Prominent lawyers declare that the Legislature has nothing to do with the matter. The trustees decline to talk on the subject. The State Senate has referred the resolution to the Judiciary Committee. The bill appears to have been introduced with a view of reviving the struggle over the location of the university.

THE DAVIS EXPRESS ROBBERY.

CHAMBERS' TRIAL TO COMMENCE NEXT WEEK—THE WOUNDED EXPRESS MESSENGER IN A BAD CONDITION.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The Circuit Court will convene next Monday in special session to try Chesley Chambers, who is alleged to have committed the express robbery near Smithville. It is not probable that the taking of evidence will begin before Wednesday morning. Judge Pearson will likely ask permission to leave the bench on the trial of this case, and the defense may ask the appointment of Judge Bickwell of

mense June rise in the Missouri when the snows melt.

OREGON.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 22.—A heavy snow since midnight along the line of the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company's road between the Dalles and Troutdale laid about three feet on the ground. The west-bound through passenger-train tied up at Hood River Station, two snow-slides from the mountain preventing further progress. The slides are expected to be clear by tomorrow morning. The Northern Pacific and the Short Line are slightly bothered by the snow.

DAKOTA.

ELLENDALE, Dak., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—It snowed all yesterday and last night, with a strong wind. The thermometer is 40° below zero.

SIOUX FALLS, Dak., Jan. 22.—Last night's blizzard let up today. The temperature has fallen to 25° below zero. Snow has drifted badly and packed hard, and all roads are blockaded.

FARGO, Dak., Jan. 22.—The mercury this morning stood 38° below.

INDIANA.

ELKHART, Ind., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Another blizzard reached here this afternoon. The mercury has fallen to 6° below zero.

LAPORTE, Ind., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The thermometer is 10° below zero. The roads are all drifting full.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—At 8 o'clock tonight the thermometer was 12° below zero.

MISSOURI.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 22.—Trains on the Burlington & Missouri were abandoned today and the Santa Fé and Union Pacific Lines did not attempt to run out any through trains. Local trains were started on both roads. The Santa Fé trains only ran to Nickerson, Kas., and the Union Pacific to Brookville, Kas. Many through passengers are detained here.

NEBRASKA.

HASTINGS, Neb., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—All the railroads in this vicinity are again badly blocked by the storm of yesterday; temperature, 10° to 18° below zero.

Reports of terrible loss of life continue to reach here, and when the record is made up it will be found that many a poor homesteader has perished.

MANITOBA.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 22.—At Medicine Hat last night at 9 o'clock the mercury registered 41° below, and at Fort Assinaboine 49° below.

MICHIGAN.

EAST TAWAS, Mich., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Log hauling has ceased because of the snow and cold.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 22.—A regular blizzard struck this place this afternoon, and tonight the wind is howling. At 9:30 the mercury recorded 6° above zero. Reports from different parts of the peninsula indicate that the storm has been general.

SLOWLY RISING TEMPERATURE.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 23—1 a. m.—Indications: For Chicago and vicinity for thirty-two hours from 1 a. m.—Fair weather, slowly rising barometer.

For the Upper Lake region, generally fair weather, slowly rising temperature in the western portion, slightly colder in the eastern portion, followed by warmer weather, westerly winds, generally shifting to southerly.

For the Upper Mississippi Valley, fair weather, slowly rising temperature, variable winds, generally shifting to southerly, falling barometer.

For the Missouri Valley, increasing cloudiness and local snows, warmer southerly winds, falling barometer.

For Sunday fair weather is indicated for the Lake regions, with slowly rising temperature.

Cautionary signals continue on Lake Michigan.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22—10 p. m.—The following observations are taken at the same moment of time at the stations named:

Place of observation.	Height of barometer.	Thermometer.	Direction of wind.	State of weather.	Rainfall during last 24 hours.
El Paso	30.16	52	W.	Fair	
Alpena, Mich	29.80	0	N.	Fair	
Boston, Mass	29.86	34	N.	Cloudy	
Bismarck, Dak	30.37	22	W.	Clear	
Buffalo, N. Y	29.96	34	N. W.	Lt. snow	.02
Cairo, Ill	30.46	6	N.	Clear	
Cheyenne, Wyo	29.90	34	W.	Clear	
Chicago, Ill	30.34	9	N. W.	Clear	
Cincinnati, O	30.34	9	N. W.	Clear	
Cleveland, O	30.16	12	W.	Lt. snow	.06
Deadwood, Dak	30.30	23	N. W.	Clear	
New York, N. Y	29.86	35	W.	Fair	
Denver, Colo	30.07	14	S. W.	Clear	
Des Moines, Ia	30.30	6	N. W.	Clear	
Detroit, Mich	30.18	6	N. W.	Clear	.01
Dodge City, Kas	30.35	—2	E.	Fair	
Duluth, Minn	30.40	20	N. W.	Clear	
Little Rock, Ark	30.27	36	N. E.	Cloudy	
Escanaba, Mich	30.27	—9	N. W.	Clear	
Fort Assiniboine	30.42	—49	N.	Lt. snow	
Fort Buford, Mont	30.42	—18	S.	Clear	
Fort Garry, B. A	30.30	—26	S.	Clear	
Galveston, Tex	30.12	54	N. W.	Cloudy	
Grand Haven, Mich	30.30	4	N. W.	Lt. snow	.05
Halifax, N. S					
Philadelphia, Pa	29.96	34	S. W.	Clear	
Indianapolis, Ind	30.29	4	W.	Clear	
La Crosse, Wis	30.47	—16		Clear	
Louisville, Ky	30.30	14	W.	Cloudy	
Salt Lake	30.19	42	W.	Cloudy	
Marquette, Mich	30.21	8	W.	Clear	
Memphis, Tenn	30.33	30	W.	Fair	
Milwaukee, Wis	30.38	—19	W.	Clear	
Montreal, Que					
Moorhead, Minn	30.45	—36	S. W.	Clear	
Nashville, Tenn	30.32	28	N. W.	Clearing	
North Platte, Neb	30.27	1	S. E.	Cloudy	
Omaha, Neb	30.14	4	W.	Cloudy	.01
Oswego, N. Y	29.76	32	S. W.	Lt. snow	
Pittsburg, Pa	30.03	34		Clear	
New Orleans	30.12	56	N. E.	Lt. rain	.10
Quebec, Can					
Rochester, N. Y	29.86	27	W.	Cloudy	
Washington	29.96	34	N. W.	Clear	.01
Shreveport, La	30.18	44	N. E.	Cloudy	
Springfield, Ill	30.40	—3	N. W.	Fair	
St. Louis, Mo	30.36	10	W.	Clear	
St. Paul, Minn	30.49	—36	W.	Clear	
Toledo, O	30.26	1	W.	Clear	.*
Toronto, Can					
Yankton	30.51	—15		Fair	
Huron	30.49	—14	S. E.	Cloudy	
Helena, Mont	30.09	7	N.	Lt. snow	.15
Las Animas	30.09	7	E.	Clear	
Mackinaw	30.31	1	N. W.	Lt. snow	.02
Milton	30.33	6		Fair	

*Too small to measure.

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Time.	Bar.	Ther.	Hu.	Dir.	Vel	Rain.	Weather
8a. m	30.021	24.1	80.0	S.	6	.....	Cloudy.
8a. m	30.100	25.0	86.0	W.	10	.....	Thick'g.
10a. m	30.054	15.9	86.2	W.	15	.....	Fair.
2p. m	30.156	2.2	90.9	W.	24	.....	Clear.
6p. m	30.252	—6.0	86.0	W.	21	.....	Clear.
10 p. m	30.396	—10.5	90.4	S. W.	13	.....	Clear.

Maximum thermometer, 26.0.
Minimum thermometer, 10.6.
Mean daily barometer, 30.179.
Mean daily thermometer, 1.6.
Mean daily humidity, 90.8.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP NEWS.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 22.—Arrived, the Siberian, from Liverpool.

QUEENSTOWN, Jan. 22.—Arrived, the Britannic, from New York, and the Abyssinia, from New York.

THEY MUST HURRY UP.

THE ICE-CARNIVAL DIRECTORS FIND THAT IT WILL BE HARD WORK TO HAVE EVERYTHING READY BY FEB. 1.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The Ice-Carnival directors have decided that preparations for the opening of the season Feb. 1 will have to be hurried more than they have been, as the magnitude of the affair is exceeding their expectations. There are now over thirty uniformed clubs organized, and returns come in from two or three new ones every day. The experience of the three or four displays that have been made shows that there is an almost total lack of discipline among them, with but few exceptions, so that confusion is likely to result. In order to avoid this Capt. Ed Bear of Company D has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of all the carnival forces in uniform. He will commence by calling a meeting of the Captains of the clubs at any early day and inform them that they will be held responsible for the drill, appearance, behavior, and discipline of their commands when on parade. He will also give them instruction in drilling. It is already a patent fact that the city will be wofully deficient in the matter of toboggan slides. The number of members of toboggan clubs now in the city is well toward 2,000, and more are coming in every day. It is announced definitly that the carnival grounds and palace and all slides belonging to the carnival will be closed Sundays.

THE PERILS OF COASTING.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 23.—William Barry, James Broderick, and William Carsen, ranging in age from 16 to 18 years, were coasting on Webster avenue last evening when they collided with a heavy wagon. Barry and Broderick received fatal injuries, and Carsen was painfully cut and bruised.

PRESIDENT PORTER'S SUCCESSOR.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 22.—A New Haven special says that those who are allowed behind the scenes assert that Prof. Dwight of the Yale faculty will succeed President Porter, and that there is no man or combination of men who can beat him.

NEW YORK.

The Sorosis Society Celebrates Its Eighteenth Anniversary in a Brilliant Manner.

Maud Miller's Second Marriage Without First Being Divorced from Young Mackaye.

The Traveling-Men's Appeal—Miss Juch's Temporary Illness—Another Vanderbilt Gift—Gleanings.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—[Special.]—A brilliant party gathered at Delmonico's last night to take part in the Sorosis reception and celebrate the eighteenth anniversary of the society's existence. Five long tables laden with good things were arranged in the main ballroom, and about these were seated the fair Sorosins and their guests. At the table in the centre of the room Mrs. D. G. Croly (Jenny June), the President of the society, sat and smiled a welcome to all. To the menu were attached the names of some of the more prominent members of the society. After dinner Mrs. Croly called upon several of the society's members and guests to entertain the company. There was no formal program and there were no set speeches made, but the songs, recitations, and bright addresses were received with much enthusiasm. The toasts were drank in sparkling apollinaris, as the Sorosins, fearful of the evil results to the "dear men" present, kept the more subtle beverages, as one of the ladies remarked, "for the private dinners of the society."

Mrs. Croly made the address of welcome to the guests. In closing she said: "I sincerely hope that the husbands of Sorosins will go home tonight feeling that they can say: 'Sis, you've done very well; shake hands.'"

Mrs. C. L. Studwell sang a song containing bright allusions to the "lords of creation," and subsequently Moncure D. Conway entertained the company with a pleasant discourse on the beauties of the Kingdom of Westphalia when it was ruled by woman. He said that ever since the days of the Amazons men had been the biggest. He told the Sorosins that, although their husbands and brothers knew why, they would not tell the secret.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe congratulated Sorosis on the success she had always enjoyed and read some original verses. Mrs. Eliza Connor spoke in reply to the toast of "Our Gentlemen Guests." Brief addresses were also made by J. W. Bayliss and Rollin M. Squire.

MAUD MILLER AND HER LITTLE STORY.

Maud Miller, the daughter of Joaquin Miller, in an interview published today made the charge that she had been cruelly treated by her relatives and friends and forced to seek a livelihood on the stage by her father and others. Mr. Steele Mackaye, who is Miss Miller's father-in-law, says: "This is the rigmarole of a crazy woman. If this interview with her is authentic the only explanation is that she is insane. Her assertion that her marriage with my son was not secret and clandestine is not true. When the subject of marriage was talked of I refused to give my consent, and she gave me her word of honor that she would not marry my son. I gave her reasons why I could not approve of the marriage, and was quite frank about the matter. I knew nothing more of the affair until the marriage had taken place. I was indignant and refused to recognize her, and have not done so to this day. I met her but once in my life, and do not want to meet her again."

Mr. Mackaye says Miss Miller never met him at the Madison Square Theatre, as she says she did. She never hinted a desire to him for the legitimate drama, and joined a strolling company as a ballet girl. The assertion that she was "forced on the stage by the cruelty and neglect of her father," Mr. Mackaye says, is an infamous untruth. The story about the cruelty of her father is the invention of a disordered brain.

Mrs. Frank Leslie says: "Maud has been treated with the greatest kindness by all her friends, and her brain must have been turned or she must have fallen into the hands of very bad advisers to act thus. She appears to have an insane craving for notoriety."

The *Sun* says: Maud Miller, the actress, Joaquin Miller's daughter, married again in Chicago Jan. 9 without going through the formality of getting a divorce from Arthur Mackaye, whom she married a year ago in New York. She is living with her husband, Loudon McCormack, at No. 88 Sixth avenue, and the story she tells of her marriage is by all odds the queerest story she has told yet. Mr. McCormack was the manager of the company which set out on the road with "The Danites" and "49," and after many misfortunes collapsed at Louisville. There was enough money left to take Miss Miller, who was the Carrots and Billy Piper of the two pieces, to Chicago. Mr. McCormack stopped in Louisville to raise enough to follow her. All the rest had departed to New York, the haven of the unlucky actors. Finally McCormack joined her at No. 224 South Clark street, Chicago, an actors' boarding-house.

Miss Miller had great news for Mr. McCormack. She had got a letter from the Rev. Dr. Houghton, pastor of "The Little Church Around the Corner," in this city, saying, in answer to a letter from her, that he had never baptized Arthur Mackaye. Then, Miss Miller says, she told Mr. McCormack: "Mgr. Preston told me a month or two before I had been baptized, I being a Catholic, we were not husband and wife by the law of the church."

Miss Miller says that she and Mr. McCormack went right over to the Church of the Holy Family, on West Twelfth and May streets, where they laid their case before the Rev. Father Counihan, and that, after examining the letter from Dr. Houghton, a "written opinion" from Mgr. Preston, and a letter from the lady who acted as Miss Miller's bridemaid stating that Arthur Mackaye had told her he was baptized, when he really had not been, the priest decided that Miss Miller and Arthur Mackaye were not "legally married." In the time he baptized Mr. McCormack a Catholic, and Jan. 9 married the couple in the presence of two witnesses—so Miss Miller says. Mr. and Mrs. McCormack remained in Chicago as long as there was an outlook for an engagement, and then put together their scanty means and bought railroad tickets to New York. It was five days after the wedding that Miss Miller got some money from Mr. Elder and other charitable Chicagoans and told the story of destitution which was printed a few days later. They got here Wednesday morning.

Miss Miller said today: "Mr. Mackaye told me on our wedding-day in the Church of the Holy Cross, in West Forty-second street, where Father McBride performed the ceremony, that he had been baptized the day before by the Rev. Dr. Houghton. I was a Catholic, and it was necessary for our marriage that he should be baptized. Relying upon Mr. Mackaye's word, Father Brady married us. After that I took pains to ascertain if he had embraced the Catholic faith. Dr. Houghton told me that Arthur Mackaye had come to him, mentioning that he was connected with the Lyceum Theatre, and asked to be baptized. Dr. Houghton told him his preparation would require mental labor as well as spiritual desire, and gave him a book to study. Mr. Mackaye, Dr. Houghton told me, never came back. I saw Mgr. Preston at the chancery office, and he gave me his opinion in writing."

Dr. Houghton verified this evening Miss Miller's story about Arthur Mackaye. Of course Mgr. Preston did not tell Miss Miller that a marriage was void in law, but because the priest had been deceived about the bridegroom's baptism. He may have told her that the church did not recognize or bless such a marriage. It is not easily to be believed that the priest in Chicago was made acquainted with the facts in the case.

[The records in the County Clerk's office in Chicago show that Jan. 9 a marriage license was issued to J. L. McCormack, age 35, and M. M. Miller, age 21, both of New York.]

THE COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS' APPEAL.

As before hinted at, the Travelers' & Traders' Union of this city, which has lately been circulating petitions throughout the country calling upon Congress to pass the bill introduced by Mr. James of Brooklyn to permit commercial travelers to sell goods in any State or Territory and the District of Columbia without payment of any license or mercantile tax, has received signatures from 2,038 New York firms, employing 13,260 traveling salesmen; 535 Boston firms, with 3,347 salesmen; Philadelphia, 473 firms, employing 3,200 salesmen; Baltimore, 339 firms and 1,980 salesmen; Chicago, 397 firms and 3,206 salesmen; and New Orleans, 181 firms and 433 salesmen—a total of 4,213 firms, employing 25,226 travelers. The petitions are now being signed in St. Louis, Cincinnati, Richmond, Louisville, and other business centres, and by Feb. 1 it is expected the petition to be sent to Congress will bear the signatures of 10,000 firms who give employment to 50,000 travelers.

The points which will be urged before the Congressional sub-committee in Washington next Tuesday in favor of the bill are that Congress has the right to legislate upon such questions, and that the slow progress of the law does not warrant the merchants of the country in awaiting a decision of the United States Supreme Court on the question, which has never yet been determined, whether a citizen of one State can be compelled to pay a license for doing business in another State.

The union has recently employed an agent to visit the principal localities in the South and ascertain the exact position of affairs. He reports that drummer taxes are very unpopular; that they are not and cannot be equally enforced; that some lines of business needing few or no samples escape free, and others needing bulky samples suffer from the tax, and that with very few exceptions merchants, both wholesale and retail, help the drummers to evade the tax.

ANOTHER VANDERBILT GIFT.

William H. Vanderbilt's very handsome gift to the New York College of Physicians & Surgeons has just been supplemented by another most liberal one, the daughter of the late millionaire and her husband, William D. Sloane, being the donors in this instance. No definit sum is given to the trustees this time, but Mr. and Mrs. Sloane have offered to erect a handsome structure to be known as the Sloane Maternity Hospital. It will be of brick and terra-cotta, three stories in hight, and 100 feet deep by seventy-five feet wide. When this building is completed and furnished and equipped throughout it will be deeded to the trustees of the college and will pass under their control as an adjunct to the work of the medical and surgical school. With the building will also be presented to the trustees a sufficient sum of money to furnish the necessary income to run it as a free hospital for the use of such women as may, from poverty, misfortune, or other causes, need to be cared for in an absolutely free institution of this character. Just what the amount of the endowment will be cannot yet be ascertained. As there is no institution in the city conducted on the plan intended in this case—a lying-in hospital, pure and simple—the amount needed is purely speculative, and will be until a practical list is made as to the wants and needs of such an institution. The Sloane Maternity Hospital will be erected immediately, and will be situated west of the college buildings now in course of erection. The college, through Mr. Vanderbilt's liberality, owns twenty-nine building lots, but ten of which are to be used for the college proper. Four others at the corner of Tenth avenue and Fifty-ninth street will furnish ample room for the buildings, plans for which are now being prepared by the architect, who designed the college building. The hospital will contain twenty-five free beds. Everything that sanitary and medical science can suggest will be done to make it the model building of its kind in the world.

Although the hospital will be under the control of the faculty of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, its business management will be vested in an entirely distinct board of managers. This board will consist of five men, and will have as its head the President of the college ex-officio. The four men selected for the first board are William D. Sloane, representing the donors; Cornelius Vanderbilt, representing the Board of Trustees; and Profs. McLane and Delafield, representing the faculty. The details of management and of the construction, etc., were outlined in the provisions of the gift, which was first made known to the college faculty at their meeting Monday evening last. The gift was an entire surprise to the faculty.

A DISTINCTIVELY JEWISH COLLEGE.

The movement of the "radical" Hebrews in this and neighboring cities toward the founding of a distinctively Jewish college where the principles of Judaism shall be taught is being pushed forward with enthusiasm. The convention of Reformed Jews in Pittsburg last fall and the formulation of their platform have aroused what may be termed the orthodox Jews to action. The Rev. Dr. H. Pereira Mendes, who is most prominent in the work of establishing the new college, said tonight that the platform of the Pittsburg convention was being condemned by conservative Jews, and had even met the disapproval of some of the reformers themselves.

In this city Dr. Mendes said a meeting would be held in February, when the objects of the new college would be set forth and its organization completed. Already from private sources money had been contributed to the work, and when the matter became generally known it would be advanced rapidly.

SURPRENAING THE CABINET.

The *World's* Washington special says: There are a few of the Republican Senators who hold that their committees have the right to forcibly compel the members of the Cabinet to appear before them to give testimony regarding appointments in case the information sought by resolution is not sufficient. If a subpœna were to be issued to a Cabinet officer to appear before a Senate committee and he should refuse to obey it hard to discover how the Senate will proceed to punish him for his refusal. The President has not as yet indicated what position he will take. Until something more definit is determined the Democrats will not hold a caucus.

MISS JUCH'S TEMPORARY ILLNESS.

The injury and nervous shock occasioned to Miss Emma Juch's system by the fall of a gas tank upon her head during the presentation of the opera of "Lohengrin" Wednesday night are more severe than was at first supposed. From the time of the accident until this morning she was unable to sleep, and grave consequences not expected by the skilled nurse finally came, and her physicians now hope for her speedy recovery; but they forbade her even to think of appearing tonight, and the consequence was that her place was taken by Miss Charlotte Walker, another member of the American opera company.

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THREATENING BLAZES.

Two Fires in the Business District Tax the Resources of the Department.

Firemen Fighting the Flames with the Mercury Twenty Degrees Below Zero.

The Combined Losses Foot Up About $70,000—Remarkably Good Work in Both Cases.

The Fire Department had two second-alarm fires to combat in the business district at about the same hour last night—something that has not occurred before in a good many years, and something that the firemen have always looked forward to with no great relish. More than two-thirds of the entire force was called into service, and the immense distances traveled by the apparatus and the intense cold—the mercury being 20° below zero—made both fires peculiarly difficult to handle. Chief Swenie is out of the city, and First-Assistant Musham had the entire responsibility on his shoulders, and managed his men so well that the losses in both cases are comparatively small.

A little before 10 o'clock last night Henry Grady, one of Pinkerton's policemen, saw fire in the rear part of the third floor of Nos. 184 and 186 Monroe street. The flames made their appearance suddenly and spread rapidly. He gave an alarm from Box 42, corner of Monroe and La Salle streets. As soon as Assistant Marshal Musham arrived, which was in a few minutes, he gave a 3-11, the fire having made considerable progress. This put in service engines 1, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 17, 21, 27, 32, and 34; chemicals 1, 6, and 9, trucks 1, 2, 6, and 9, and the "tower." The building has a frontage of 50 feet on Monroe street, and a depth of about 225 feet. It contained paper and paper boxes. The front windows were easily opened, but those in the rear had iron shutters. The firemen stationed on Monroe street were able to get water into the building at the start, but those in the rear could do nothing. Fruitless attempts were made to open the shutters, and finally the firemen had to wait until the heat did the work. While the iron shutters prevented access to the fire they prevented it from extending to adjacent buildings in the alley, all the stores which face Adams street being protected by them. The burning structure was accessible not only from the front and rear, but by an alley which runs from Fifth avenue to about the centre of the building. The windows opening on it also had iron shutters, which could not be moved, the heat finally unfastening them. Dense volumes of smoke issued from three sides of the building, filling the streets in the vicinity; and the cold was so intense that the firemen suffered fearfully. They, however, did excellent work, confining the fire to the two upper stories. These were gutted. Very little fire reached the first floor, but it and the basement were flooded. The Insurance Patrol, however, whose house is only a few doors east, covered everything, so that the loss was materially lessened.

The building, which was owned by George H. Crozier of Philadelphia, was damaged to the extent of $10,000, two floors and the roof being almost entirely destroyed. Mr. H. A. Hurlbut is the agent, and carries a full insurance.

The first floor and basement were occupied by George H. Taylor & Co., dealers in paper. Their stock, which was worth between $50,000 and $60,000, was damaged to the extent of $15,000. It was partly their own and partly consigned. It consisted of all kinds of paper and was insured for $20,000, placed by C. B. Rollo & Co. No. 183 La Salle street. Mr. Rollo was seen at his home at midnight, and said that without the record he could not say exactly how the risk was placed, but he thought that the policies were about $2,500 each in the Norwich Union of London, the Lion of London, People's of New York, Home of California, Greenwich of New York, Atlantic of Providence, Rochester German of Rochester, and one or two other companies which they had placed with but did not represent.

The second and third floors were occupied by the Duck & Wilcox Paper-Box Company, of which J. V. Weaver is President and W. H. Colcord Secretary. Their stock and machinery were estimated to be worth $30,000 and their insurance was said to be about $22,000. Their loss is total.

Nothing could be learned of the origin of the fire beyond the fact stated above.

A strong wind was blowing from the west, and appearances indicated that the fire would go to La Salle street. Fortunately the next building east was five stories high and had a thick west wall. It was exposed in the centre, where there is a small court with windows opening into it, but only a little water got in, causing a small loss to H. S. Tiffany & Co., printers, who occupied the second floor.

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Roby at No. 3433 Vernon avenue caught fire at midnight from a defective flue. The damage was about $300.

ELSEWHERE.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—About daylight this morning the Carrollton Oil Works, on the river bank in the upper suburb of the city, were discovered on fire, and were completely destroyed. The mill was built in 1880 at a cost of $80,000, but passed last fall into the hands of the late Col. Ed Richardson and Benjamin Andrews for $32,500. The mill contained 165 bales of cotton, 15,000 sacks of cotton-seed, 200 barrels of oil, 300 tons of oil-cake, 500 boxes of coal, bags and bagging, etc., worth altogether $32,000. The insurance is over $45,000 and is held by companies in California, Philadelphia, Mobile, New Orleans, and London. The mill had just been put on a paying basis, and will probably be rebuilt.

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—A fire took place early this morning in the stores of L. H. Mooney & Co., tailors, and W. Harvey & Co., dry-goods merchants, and damaged the formers' stock to the extent of $5,000 and the latters' to the extent of $2,000. The building, which is owned by Mr. Dawes, has been damaged to the extent of $500; all covered by insurance. D. Roy and family lived in the upper part of the building. A boy about 9 years of age jumped from the attic window into the yard, a distance of forty feet, but fell into a heap of snow and escaped almost unhurt. His perilous exploit was followed by a young girl, who was not so fortunate, as she struck a clothes-line and was badly injured. The women, with their babies, were about to follow the example of the children, when Constable Soulliere dashed up-stairs through the suffocating smoke and rescued them at the risk of his own life.

CLINTON, Ia., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The Cheney Block, corner of Eleventh avenue and Fourth street, took fire this afternoon about 4 o'clock. The lower floor was occupied by Dr. G. W. Smith, druggist, and the upper by Mrs. P. Cheney and family. Loss to stock and building nearly $4,000. The building is insured for $1,000 in the Security Company of Davenport. The firemen are still working. Some have had their feet, ears, and fingers frostbitten.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The city-hall at St. Peter has been burned to the ground. Loss, $6,000; insured in the Ætna for $1,000 and the Phœnix for $2,000.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Fire broke out in Larsen, Hansen & Co.'s sash, door, and blind factory at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and in less than three hours the establishment was in ruins. Loss, $20,000; insurance, $5,000. Forty skilled mechanics are thrown out of employment. The department could do nothing but prevent the fire from spreading to adjacent buildings. The weather was 20° below zero. The firm suffered a similar loss two years ago.

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Fire early this morning totally destroyed two large frame buildings—the Montreal House and National saloon—owned by Cullen & Hathaway. Loss on buildings, $5,000; no insurance.

BOONE CENTRE, Mont., Jan. 22.—The cavalry stables with fifty-eight horses burned at the post here.

LACONIA, N. H., Jan. 22.—The old Belknap Mill, occupied by Parker, Cox & Co. and Bartlett & Doak, shoe manufacturers, was partially burned last night. The damage is principally by water, that of Bartlett & Doak being $15,000 to $20,000. Parker, Cox & Co. lose heavily, but their loss is not yet estimated. The building was damaged $3,000. All are insured.

A LONG TRAMP.

AN OLD MAN'S STRANGE ADVENTURES BY LAND AND SEA—FIFTEEN HUNDRED MILES ON FOOT.

Charles P. Holmes, who claims to hail from East Bennington, Vt., if his story is to be credited, has had a remarkable experience of peril, privation, and wandering since he sailed from New York last March in the brig Annie Armour up till Wednesday last, when he struck the Garden City. He was seen by a TRIBUNE reporter yesterday evening at the office of Edgar Holmes, real-estate dealer, No. 188 Washington street, and his appearance certainly tallied well with the story which he related. He is six feet high, and in spite of his 70 years carries himself as erect as a ship's mast. His eyes are bright blue, his visage is weather-beaten, his nose is as angular as the Duke of Wellington's, while his mouth, which is as innocent of any teeth as a new-born babe's, surmounts a long, upturned chin, which offers a continual menace to his dependent nasal organ. The tattooing on his hands and arms would gain him favorable notice in a dime show, and taken all together he would have made an ideal prototype for the "Ancient Mariner." The following is the substance of the story which he gives of his last perilous voyage, shipwreck, miraculous escape, subsequent misfortunes, and weary tramp from Bismarck, Dak., to Chicago:

He left New York March, 1885, as second-mate of the brig Anne Armour, Capt. John H. Armour, master. They doubled Cape Horn during May, and after some coast-trading discharged a cargo at Astoria, Ore., Aug. 19. The ship then took in ballast, and set sail for San Francisco, but when three days out she was struck by a typhoon which turned her keel uppermost. Capt. Armour, First-Mate Williams, the cook, steward, and all the crew, except his watch, were down below when the ship capsized and met a watery grave. He and the other members of his watch clung to the keel, and, after being for hours tossing about, were picked up by the lifeboat of the Catherine Wordham of Baltimore, which was about seven miles from them at the time of the disaster. They were landed by that ship at Portland, Ore., where they were kindly looked after by the custom-house officials until money arrived from New York to pay off the remnant of the shipwrecked crew. After a stay of about five weeks, altogether in Portland he bought a ticket for New York, and had about $38 in his pocket, besides his watch and some new clothing in a valise, when he started. When they reached

TIONAL NOTES.

RUN OF CURRENT ITEMS AT WASHINGTON.

D. C., Jan. 22.—The Board of pectors of Steam Vessels voted ls relating to the use of upright adopted at the last annual

mar decides that all the appro- by the Legislature of Arizona sum appropriated by Congress n of law and void.

Committee on Indian Affairs o report favorably Represents- bill providing for the appoint- commissioners to obtain from Chippewa Indians of Minnesota nt of their title to their reserva-

Committee on Public Lands is e decisions of the Commissioner Land-Office, with a view to dis- any legislation is necessary to ernment against fraud, and at prevent interference with the lleges of honest settlers.

annon, Controller of the Cur- d his resignation to the Presi- take effect Feb. 1, in order to ac- of Vice-President of the National epublic of New York. It is un- erer, that the President and the e Treasury have each personally Cannon to withdraw his resigna- until after the adjournment of that Mr. Cannon will probably eir request if he can make a sat- gement with the bank.

er of Agriculture Colman, who is the National Sugar-Growers' As- called the annual convention of meet in St. Louis Feb. 4 and 5 sioner Colman is also President ppi Valley Dairymen's Associa- alled the annual meeting of that Louis during the week of the ' Convention. The Commissioner ots conventions.

ry of War to-day submitted to the report of the Fortifications a long document and describes ssity and advantages of better . It is estimated that it will re- 26,000,000 to establish a good sys- s. A recommendation is made that on of $21,000,000 be made at the n of Congress to secure the neces- or beginning the construction of dinance as will be required. The ests the establishment of two foundries, and recommends the f torpedo-boats for harbor pro-

s, D. C., Jan. 22.—[Special.]— legates to the National Board of ill satisfied with to-day's work. cerning the American hog was ted, and their views on inter- e were also adopted. They didn't with some of the Eastern people tcy and silver, but those were s importance to them than a de- make foreign governments re- bargo on the meat products of es. The delegates attended the illiard's to-night. Most of them home in the morning in company. nois people who have been here ek.

HE FAR WEST.

FOR MAILS—CHINESE SUING MAGES—IN MORMONDOM.

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f Chinese have begun suit in the Circuit Court against Eureka, 000 damage alleged to have been loss of property at the time of on from that city in February

, Utah, Jan. 23.—[Special.]—Dep- Collin, who was assaulted seven a Mormon named McMurran, who had his examination to-day, but prosecuting witness, McMurran- ting event of the day was the ar- Jones, City Tax Collector, a prom- official, for an attempt to bribe reveal the secrets of the Liberal Collins is the man who ns to half-mast their flags July 4. n the sum of $10,000.

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ERCE FIGHT IN MIDAIR.

(Ga.) *Republican:* A gentleman ssed a strange fight between a cat Monday that interested him. The a warm nook on the sunny side nd gone to sleep. A hawk came nd in the air—a large red-tail es that gleamed in the sun like saw the cat and pounced down ruel talons had taken a good hold knew what was up, and the bird feet in the air, then there was a cat and the feathers began to and cat had it, over and over, higher and higher. When about h the hawk dropped the cat, but larted after, but tabby got the d the hawk flew around with one der quarter of the cat, while its nt claws were on the back of its and feathers flew thick and fast d at last both fell to the ground, xpired.

STOMACH FOR OYSTERS.

nt.) *Herald:* Awaiting the close ast night, the hack-drivers, to elves against the keen night air, the Bon-Ton for a dish of oysters. unch one of the drivers, Ed Wil- hat he could easily eat 100 New on the half-shell. Fred Vail tatement a whopper and offered that it couldn't be done. Wilcox wager, the money was put up, a ited, and the attack on the be- nced. Wilcox ate as fast as two en the oysters, and in twenty accomplished the feat and won ing his mouth with a napkin, xed that if there was another 100 ought he could appease his ap-

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Proceedings of the Ladies' Six ty of San Francisco: Before ad- lady asked if Miss Elizabeth d acknowledged the receipt of lk hose, or, to be plainer still, a stockings, made from California tated that she had not, although iber intimated that they were n out by this time.

ABSTRACTS OF TITLE.

Real Estate Men Express a Decided Preference for the Work of Private Firms,

And as a Rule Do Not Favor an Appropriation to Complete the County Records.

Where County Abstracts Are Used They Have No Redress in Case of Costly Errors.

A reporter for THE TRIBUNE yesterday called upon a number of real estate firms with a view to learning their opinion as to the advisability of appropriating the sum of $50,000 for the completion of the county abstract books. Mr. Hamilton Bogue of Bogue & Hoyt said:

"I certainly am not in favor of such an appropriation. No one would be willing to accept the abstracts compiled by county officials so long as Handy & Co. and Vallette & Rickords furnish abstracts as satisfactorily as they are now doing. Public money should not be used to enable the county to furnish abstracts from the public records for sale; moreover, the public is not satisfied as to the reliability of the work. Why, for the last five years we have not been able to get a purchaser to accept abstracts made by public officials."

"Because of carelessness or incompetence in the Recorder's office?"

"I am not prepared to reflect in any way upon the work of the Recorder's office. I only know that what I have stated is so."

J. C. Magill said: "No, I have no confidence in the work done in the Recorder's office. Not one out of ten attorneys will accept an abstract made there."

Henry Osborne said: "I certainly am not in favor of such an appropriation. I take no stock whatever in the work turned out of the Recorder's office, and even if the amount necessary to complete the records was appropriated the question of the reliability of the abstracts would still remain."

McConley & Elliott said: "We want our abstracts made up by some one who we know is responsible, and whom we can apply to for redress in case of expensive mistakes. We do not approve of such expenditure."

George G. Newbury & Co. thought that if the money expended would result in complete and reliable records that it would be desirable. Individuals and firms engaged in making abstracts were charging a big price for their services, and if the county could furnish the same information in the shape of public records the public would be benefited. Unless there was a certainty of the work being done carefully and reliably, however, it would not be wise to expend the money.

Pierce & Ware are of the opinion that such an appropriation would simply be money thrown away. If the county through the incompetency or carelessness of its officials is incapable of furnishing the public with information to which it is rightfully entitled, then the public certainly should not be called upon to pay for it.

E. A. Cummings & Co. have found the great difficulty to lie in the unreliability of the abstracts issued from the Recorder's office. "We question," said a member of the firm, "if even after this money had been expended the abstracts produced would be regarded as perfectly reliable."

B. F. Jacobs expressed himself as being in favor of the expenditure of such an amount as would make the records perfectly reliable, but did not think it necessary to make an appropriation of any particular sum to carry on the work. "What is the use or value of records," asked he, "if they are not completed? They certainly are not so, or the objections of attorneys to the abstracts made in the Recorder's office would not be sustained. I am in favor of the use of the public money to make these records complete as soon as it can be done."

Lyman & Geddings were emphatically opposed to the appropriation of a dollar of the public money for such purpose.

Snow & Dickinson favored it if it would result in making the records such as could be depended upon.

Charles H. Kerfoot said: "I see no necessity for such an appropriation. The county pays for the maintenance of its public records already, and pays enough, I think. If the officials in charge do not know enough, or are incompetent to keep these records as they should be kept, then that is the fault of the officials, not of the public. The great trouble in the whole matter is how correct the records or abstracts kept in the Recorder's office might be, purchasers and real estate men would prefer to get their abstracts from some firm or individual whom they could hold responsible. If a mistake is made in an abstract taken from the county records we have no one to fall back upon to make the loss good. With Handy & Co. or Vallette & Rickords we know that if a mistake is made, we can make them responsible for any loss that may occur. Perhaps if the Recorder were made to give an indemnifying bond which would protect us and our customers against loss, abstracts made in his office might be relied on more. As it is, I do not think the expenditure of $50,000 of the people's money would be desirable or advantageous."

R. C. Morey was in favor of the appropriation if it would make the county records reliable and free of charge to the public.

D. G. Hamilton was of the same opinion, but said that in the absence of any assurance of the reliability of the work done in the Recorder's office he always had and would continue to patronize such abstract firms as he could hold responsible in case of errors.

In speaking of the statement made in THE TRIBUNE yesterday morning that the Recorder of Cook County could receive no other compensation for his services than his salary, County-Attorney Law said the ground taken by this paper on that point was undoubtedly correct and confirmed by the Constitution of the State. Similar cases had arisen in other portions of this State, and it had been decided that it was illegal to make such contracts as the one now proposed. Commissioner Kiehm thought that the county would be fully authorized in making such a contract with the Recorder as the one under consideration.

NEW-STYLE SMOKE OF HADES.

IT RISES UP ON THE ACADEMY STAGE AS LONG AS THE ELECTRIC LIGHTS WORK.

New York *Sun:* One of the most striking of the gorgeous stage pictures in the new opera of "Orpheus and Eurydice," that the American opera company produced at the academy, is the spectacle of the infernal regions, in the second act. Orpheus stands with his golden harp right on the verge of the bottomless pit a figure bathed in radiant white light. Below him, on all sides, clothed in red and lurid in the glare of red light, crouch the host of demons that he subdues with his lyre and song. Two skulls, with fire glowing within them, lie at Orpheus' feet as he sings, and, suddenly, as his song ceases and he descends among the Furies to seek his lovely consort Eurydice, the bottomless pit on the verge of which he sang kindles, and sulphurous smoke seems to ascend toward the dome of the theatre. It rises in ever-changing, fantastic clouds, sometimes blue, sometimes green, and sometimes black. At times all three hues are intermingled in the idly. The smoke puzzled the audience the first night.

A Sun reporter went behind the scenes to get a closer look at it. There it looked quite as natural as it did from the body of the theatre. It ascended to the flies and then mysteriously disappeared.

"What sort of smoke is that anyhow?" the reporter asked of Stage-Manager Charles Hock.

"Smoke! That isn't smoke at all," Mr. Hock said with a laugh; "that's a new stage illusion that was brought over from Germany. What seems to be smoke is only electric light passing through colored glass. It is a new use to put electric light to, and this effect is only one of the many surprising ones that can be produced by its agency."

"How do you send the light through the glass."

"Ah! that's just the secret that I can't tell you, and, what's more, nobody else will be able to find out either," and Manager Hock pointed illustratively to the rear of the stage, where the whole apparatus was boxed up so that nobody but the man who worked the light could possibly see how the light was worked. "There are some bits of stage realism," Manager Hock added reflectively, "that it would be a pity to destroy by explanatory revelation. This is just one of these bits."

REFERRED TO HIS CUSTOMERS.

Boston *Herald:* A South Scituate undertaker advertises: "Having been in the undertaking business for thirty years, I feel confident of giving satisfaction in all business intrusted to me, as hundreds I have served can testify."

STATE CAPITAL NEWS.

THE REVENUE COMMISSION MAKES A SLIGHT CONCESSION TO THE WESTERN UNION—ITS OTHER WORK—GENERAL GOSSIP.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Gen. Thompson, representing the Central Union Telephone Company, and Manager Tubbs of the Western Union Telegraph Company were before the Revenue Commission this forenoon for the purpose of inducing them to reduce the tax on these corporations. Gen. Thompson asked them to reduce the tax from $2 per instrument to $1, stating that there are 4,000 instruments in the State, which produce a gross income of about $220,000. Mr. Tubbs said that the Western Union Telegraph Company had 32,000 miles of wire, and the gross income was about $285,000, and to tax the company $1 per mile for each line of wire would be imposing a tax of about 10 per cent of the gross income. The company has 10,000 miles of poles, and he thought a tax of $1 per mile for each mile of poles would be a fair rate of tax and would be in the neighborhood of what the company had been paying. It paid last year, he said, $11,000 on personal property, which he thought was exceedingly high.

Mr. Gale offered a substitute for that section providing for the taxation of all corporations not specially provided for in other sections, which was after a warm debate adopted. It provides:

That the property and franchises of all bridge, ferry, gravel-road, plank-road, turnpike, street-railroad, stage, steamboat, transportation, gas, electric-light, and water companies and associations operated within this State not included in other provisions of this act for special taxation, and all mining companies operated within the State, shall be listed and taxed in manner as follows: The real estate, structures, and all the fixed property of such corporate bodies shall be assessed in the counties, towns, cities, villages, and districts in which such property is situated, and other tangible property of such corporate bodies shall be assessed in the county in which the principal office in this State of the company is situated. Such assessor shall also assess the franchises of such corporate body if he can find the actual market value of the stock of such corporations, the aggregate value of all shares of stock added to the sum total of the indebtedness of such corporate body being taken as the true value of the entire property and franchise; but, if no such market value can be found the assessor shall estimate and fix such value from the best information he can obtain, and if such entire value shall exceed the value of the tangible property otherwise assessed the excess shall be taken as the value of the franchise. If the fixed property of any such company is situated in more than one county the Assessors of the counties in which such property is situated shall report their assessments of such property to the State Board of Assessors, to be equitably apportioned among the counties pro rata in proportion to the true value found by the board of the fixed property of such company found in each county. If any portion of the property of any such corporate body is situated outside of the State the Assessor shall report these facts to the State Board of Assessors, who shall make such abatement from the assessments in this State as shall be deemed equitable. The assessment of the property of such corporate bodies in any county shall be apportioned to the towns, cities, villages, and districts in such county in proportion to the value of the fixed property of such company so situated. Assessors shall require and receive from each of the above-described companies a statement setting forth particulars relating to the actual value of their shares of stock, etc., and no such company failing to furnish such statement shall be entitled to reviews of or appeals from any assessments. Shares of stock and bonds of such corporate bodies assessed in manner aforesaid shall not be held to be property subject to assessments and taxation.

The commission then reduced the tax on telegraph companies from $1 per mile of wire to 75 cents per mile, but refused to reduce the tax on telephone instruments. Mr. Waller's proposition to fix the limit of taxation at 1 per cent was defeated, as was his proposition to adopt a substitute for Thomas' section for taxing railroad companies on five times their gross receipts. He served notice that he will make a minority report on the question of a tax limit.

An earnest endeavor was then made to adopt a plan for taxing mortgages and other credits as an interest in the real estate which they cover, but it was defeated, and the report as a whole was adopted, Messrs. Burchard, Trumbull, and Waller voting nay. Messrs. Hay, Ewing, and Thomas were appointed a committee to take charge of and prepare the report for the printer prior to submitting it to the Secretary of State.

The State Board of Agriculture today received a communication from the Hon. E. M. Haines, Chairman of the State Highway Commissioners' Association, stating that April 27 next will be a suitable date for calling the joint convention of Highway Commissioners and tilemakers to discuss the advisability of using tile for draining public roads. It is probable a meeting will be called for that date, when it is expected there will be 2,000 in attendance.

A pardon was granted today by Gov. Oglesby to Henry Pannell, a convict in the Reform-School at Pontiac, who was sent there from Cook County in July, 1882, for a term of five years for larceny.

The Secretary of State today issued licenses of incorporation to the following stock companies:

The Chicago Warehouse & Manufacturing Company; capital stock, $400,000; incorporators, W. H. Joplin, Henry B. Smith, Edward Hilton.

The Central Savings & Loan Association at Chicago; capital stock, $5,000,000; incorporators, Clarence L. Rolfe, D. Duncan, Benjamin H. Hebard, E. C. Tillotson, and C. B. Beach.

A FORTY-MILLION SLICE.

THE FIRST BIG CUT IN THE VANDERBILT PLUM-PUDDING—A GIGANTIC SUM OF DIVISION.

New York *Journal:* Three ladies dressed in mourning alighted from three carriages, and at the same time four young men, also in mourning, stepped from two carriages and joined the ladies as the whole party of seven, without speaking a word, entered the massive iron portals of the Lincoln National Bank & Safe Deposit Company, on Forty-second street, nearly opposite the Grand Central Depot.

They were each going to receive $5,000,000 to have and hold and to do what they pleased with.

They were seven of the eight children of the late William H. Vanderbilt.

Once inside the silvered-iron doors they advanced to the silvered-iron gate in the great silvered-iron railings. The armed guard at a nod swung it open and they entered, Superintendent Van Wormer, a man of brisk business ways, saluting them respectfully.

Cornelius Vanderbilt passed in with Mrs. Elliot F. Shepard on his arm, Willie K. gave his arm to Mrs. William Sloane, Frederick Vanderbilt brought in Mrs. Hamilton McK. Twombly, and young George Vanderbilt, alone, brought up the rear.

Before them yawned the open portal of the great iron-clad deposit vault. The massive door, which weighs two tons and carries twenty heavy bolts, was swung wide back, and the party passed into the vault—the vault of the Vanderbilt millions.

Inside the vault, cheerily lit by gas, though it was broad daylight outside, the ladies of the party glanced curiously at the row over row of ingeniously locked boxes, with oxidized silver fronts, on three sides of the room, which contain such trifles as $50,000 or even $500,000 worth of cash or securities belonging to budding millionaires who only drop in there three or four times a year to cut coupons. The Vanderbilts are directed to the right, where another massive silvered-iron railing runs along the whole length of the vault, dividing it into two compartments, the further one only about six feet wide. Inside this railing are the combination lock boxes of the Vanderbilts—great fat boxes, so to speak, two feet square in front, while the boxes outside are mostly four inches by two inches. A dozen or more of boxes fit to hold the concentrated essence of millions.

Superintendent Van Wormer, in his brisk manner, but with the deference due to the important occasion, unlocks the heavy gate in the railing, and then box after box is opened in which lie the millions.

The particular division that took place then and there was of $40,000,000. The four sons and three daughters of William H. Vanderbilt there present were to get $5,000,000 each under a clause in their father's will. Mrs. Dr. Seward-Webb, the youngest daughter, was not with them. Her share of $5,000,000 is to remain in trust for her until she is 30 years of age.

The party of seven proceeded from the vault to the lofty coupon room, with its snug little compartments of silvered-iron and muffled plate glass, and, occupying the largest compartment, completed the division. Then the bonds and stocks were placed in other boxes and receipts were given. The first great cut in the estate was over.

HOODS.

It is again fashionable to be and to look comfortable. Charming hoods are worn for sleighing and in the evening when going to and returning from the opera and balls.

CATSEYES.

The introduction of catseye stones into new fringes and embroideries is wonderfully effective, especially when alternated with gilt sequins.

BROUGHT FORTH FRUIT.

Mr. Moody's Midday Service at Farwell Hall Attended with Substantial Cash Results.

Cyrus H. McCormick Promises $100,000 and Several Others $5,000 Each to Evangelize Chicago.

The Night Services at the Church Productive of a Large Number of Professed Conversions.

The announcement of Mr. Moody's midday service drew a great crowd to Farwell Hall yesterday. A great majority of the ministers of the city were present upon the platform and in the audience, and there were many men of wealth and high standing in business and professional circles. Besides these there were many local evangelists and mission workers. A fair proportion of the audience was composed of women. The services began with a half-hour praise meeting, interspersed with Scripture readings and short prayers. The singing was exceptionally spirited, and parts of it were repeated at the request of the evangelist.

Mr. Moody began by saying that he had been asked to speak upon "City Evangelization." He had a right to speak upon the subject; he was of age in it now. He had given up business to take up such work twenty-five years ago. The greatest subject before the people of today was, What should be done with and for the workingmen? "I believe we would be appalled," said he, "if we could see the statistics of non-churchgoing people. At the beginning of the century one out of twenty-five lived in towns and cities. Now one out of every three live in the cities. You will never reach the masses by keeping open your churches only one day in a week." If nothing else could be done meetings might be held such as are held in Cowgate Hill, Edinburg. For thirty years they had held a meeting at 8 o'clock every night in the open street. The speaker secured a popular subscription of about $100,000 for a building for those people, and he though Chicago should raise a fund of $250,000 for evangelistic work. "Spend $50,000 on a building," he said, "and put out the balance at interest, and from the income you could support a training-school for workers. Then throw open your churches every night; you can't reach people by "missions." He would tear down "mission" signs and put up "church." These poor people did not want to be regarded as objects of charity in religion any more than in anything else. He used to call his little place on the North Side a "mission" until one evening when he had asked a little ragged boy to go with him around to the mission. "Humph!" the little fellow said, "I don't want to go to no mission. I go to a cathedral." He pulled down his mission flag and thereafter called his place a church. One thing wanted was workers who would serve to act between the preachers and the people. But they should be taught the Word of God so that they could answer every question put to them. It was a mistake to suppose men didn't like to come to such meetings. The meetings now being held for men on the North Side proved this. It had always been the evangelist's experience that men were more easily reached by the Word of God than women were. Some said these men ought not to be attracted away from their families and homes. Some of those homes were little hells, and men left them for the saloons, the theatres, and the billiard-rooms. He didn't want people to laugh when he said he had hoped and prayed that God would inspire some rich man to come to the meeting who would give the whole $250,000. Why not? Wouldn't it be better than to pile the money away in vaults, maybe to become the curse of children. Look at the fighting in the courts over rich men's wills.

AFTER THE SOUL, THE POCKETBOOK.

"And when we get these meetings started," continued Mr. Moody, "all over the city they will become self-supporting. When we once get a man's soul into the Lord's hands we will easily get the pocketbooks. It will give according to his means to help others to find the joys of salvation which he has found. Workers from out of the ranks are needed to reach the class of people we are after. The ministers of the churches are too often educated away from poor people. A thoughtful boy is sent to school, from there to college and the university, and then to the theological seminary, and he is ready to preach. He doesn't know these poor people—how they live and what they need. When they preach they soar into metaphysics away above their hearers." [Loud applause.] The speaker wouldn't have dared make such a statement twenty-five years ago; it made him feel a little nervous to say it now, with Dr. Locke and all the learned ministers around him present. [Prolonged applause and laughter.] "But it is the truth," he continued. Then for fully ten minutes the evangelist kept the vast audience in a roar of laughter by relating his experiences in the Bowery, New York. While he was walking along upon the street and making personal appeals to men to go around and hear Moody and Sankey, he was told that they were frauds, and humbugs, and so on. But he kept on, and soon the great building in which the meetings were being held wouldn't hold all the people who came. He believed plain singing in which everybody could join was the best for evangelical work. Singing in a foreign tongue or foreign music was just as bad as foreign preaching would be. The people he wanted to reach were not in the habit of going to the opera, and did not know anything about operatic music or enjoy it when they heard it in a church. Then Mr. Moody made a stirring appeal that the work of evangelization might be carried on for reasons independent of the religious side of it. He asked if it wouldn't be better for the material welfare of the city if the poorer classes could be afforded places to which they could go and come to no harm, to say the least. Wouldn't it be apt to make them more prosperous as a people and better citizens? God speed the work.

He was about to close when he was urged to "speak on" by the audience. "What would you have me say?" he responded. "For twenty-five years I have made this question of what shall be done for the workingmen my study. It has been my very life. People ask me why I don't come back here and stay. Well, it seems I can't. I have a roving commission which takes me all over the world nearly. O, I should like to come back and live here. If any one had told me when I left here in 1873 that I would never live here again it would have almost broken my heart. I love Chicago. I love its people, but I must keep at work. But I will promise this: If this work is taken up as I want it done I will come back every year and help it along all I can."

Continuing, he said he was particularly anxious to get young men to work for Christ who would first find Him in the meetings he wanted to see started all over. He wanted trained workers among the women, too. They could go around among the houses of the poor and talk to the women while they were at work sewing or washing, and carry to them the message of rest for the weary. They didn't need to know Greek. It would be found that some of them could preach better to such people than could the ministers. "Isn't it so, Dr. Locke?" "I have no doubt of it, Mr. Moody," answered the reverend gentleman appealed to.

The evangelist then took up and answered several questions which came from the audience. In his answers he said more churches and more evangelists were needed. He knew that when God had work to be done the men to do it would turn up. He had always hoped that he might find himself reproduced in Chicago. He had a training school already established in the East, and one young man, a Swede, from Chicago, whom he had taken there, was now working in New England. He had, Mr. Moody said, all the magnetism of a Blaine, and swayed vast assemblages at his will, and was doing a great work for Christ. Men would work if they had the spirit of God within them. He knew of one who had worked in a saloon who was converted. He had an armless and legless friend, a gambler, with only a body and head, and yet he weighed 150 pounds. The saloonman had carried the gambler into religious meetings evening for six weeks, and at last had his reward in seeing his friend converted. That was work—the kind of work God wanted.

Several Salvation Army and mission people seemed to think that their work was not appreciated by Mr. Moody, and told him so. He replied that he thanked God for the good work they were doing, but they only reached a certain class and were not sufficient for the work necessary.

VERY SUBSTANTIAL FRUIT.

When he had concluded he was called upon by a large number of gentlemen who wanted him to start around with the subscription paper. Young Mr. Cyrus H. McCormick offered to subscribe $50,000. "Better make it a hundred," said Mr. Moody. "That will require some consideration," said Mr. McCormick smilingly, and the conversation ceased. Later it was understood Mr. McCormick consented to subscribe $100,000. Ten other gentlemen upon the platform offered to subscribe $5,000 apiece, but Mr. Moody positively refused to take any part in the finances of the proposed institution. "Let others raise the money," said he, "and I will furnish my experience and labor." He expressed perfect confidence in the project and the securing of the necessary subscriptions, and the ultimate accomplishment of the desired evangelization of the entire city.

The work is to be taken up and carried on by the Bible Work of Chicago, a corporate institution, of which the following-named persons are the trustees: T. W. Harvey, R. S. Albro, Miss E. Dryer, Mrs. C. H. McCormick, D. L. Moody, Maj. D. W. Whittle, E. G. Keith, N. S. Bouton, J. V. Farwell, Mrs. D. L. Moody, and H. J. Willing.

SUCCESSFUL EVENING SERVICES.

There were at least 2,000 people at the Moody services last evening, the church being packed almost as full as any night during the week. Fully 1,000 were in attendance as early as 7 o'clock, and an hour and a half later, when the sermon began, every seat was occupied and the main floor fringed with a circle of hearers who were content to stand and listen. For nearly an hour prior to Mr. Moody's arrival there was continuous hymn-singing under the leadership of Mr. Nicholl and the choir.

At least three-fourths of the evening's services consisted of singing. "I think we'd better begin and sing the book right through to-night," began Mr. Moody as he climbed up to his place about 8:30 and got hold of a hymn-book. "I don't mean every hymn in the book, but every one we know. Begin at the fourth, 'The Gospel Bells Are Ringing'—

"The Gospel bells are ringing,
Over land, from sea to sea;
Blessed news of free salvation
Do they offer you and me.

"There's a man down there who didn't sing—that won't do! He must be a stranger here and doesn't know the rules—everybody must sing here! Now then, next verse—all together!

"The Gospel bells invite us
To a feast prepared for all;
Do not slight the invitation,
Nor reject the gracious call.

"That's good—I like that! Now, all you down there keep quiet, and let the gallery sing the next verse—I want to hear if they're all singing! Must sing up there, too, every man and boy of you. Open your mouths and the hymn will sing itself!"

After another half-hour's singing Mr. Moody announced that a collection would be taken up for the support of the Chicago Avenue Church. "I want to say a word about this church," he said. "It is a free church, put up to accommodate people in this part of the city. Every pew and every seat is free. A good many people have got a false notion of this building. When I was superintendent of the Sunday-school here a boy came to me one Thanksgiving-Day and said he wanted a turkey from me. 'Why should I give you a turkey?' said I. 'I go to your Sunday-school,' said he. 'But I don't give the scholars turkeys,' said I. 'But ain't you awful rich—don't you own the Sunday-school?' he asked. And a man today told me I was awful rich because I owned this big church. Well, I don't own this church nor this Sunday-school. That boy there can't move of it than I can. This church is free to all—don't forget that. And to give you a chance to pay something for its support—you needn't pay if you don't want to, and it's better for you not to pay anything at all than give it grudgingly—it has been agreed to take up a collection tonight. You needn't pay more than a penny a week, and not even that if you don't want to. You want to have a little proprietorship in the church you have a chance to contribute."

After the collection there was some more hymn-singing, and then prayer by the Rev. Mr. Goss, and then more singing, and then reading of Scripture—the passage selected being the story of the good Samaritan. This was followed by prayer and another hymn, after which Mr. Moody began his sermon.

"I want, if I can, to introduce you tonight to the heart of the Son of God," he began. "I venture to say there isn't an unsaved man here tonight but looks on Christ as his enemy. That's all wrong. Christ loves you—loves you even better than you love yourself. If you knew His heart you'd know that. If you read the Gospels you'll find that it is the needs of the fallen that bring out Christ's love. Read the fourteenth chapter of Matthew, beginning at the fourteenth verse. Christ, we read, looked at the multitude and was moved with compassion. Now we look at a multitude often enough, but we are not moved with compassion. But Christ reads all hearts and sees the sorrow in all lives. He only wants a chance to comfort you. He had love even for the leper whom every one shunned, crying, 'Unclean! unclean!' I can imagine the consternation in that man's home when he was struck with leprosy. He says, 'Wife, I'm afraid I've got the symptoms of leprosy—I must go to the priest.' And she says, 'O, John, you must be wrong.' But the dread suspicion is confirmed, and the man kisses his wife a last time and presses his children to his bosom, and goes out an outcast on the world, according to the laws for the plague. And that man's burden touched the great heart of Christ and He said, 'Be clean.' The poor publican's sorrow and humility touched Christ's heart in like manner. He knows your sorrow and trouble to bring out the fullness of Christ's love. If any of you have any sorrow, any burden, any financial difficulty, any domestic trouble—anything that' a burden, bring it to Christ. He wants it. He wants to take it from you and comfort you."

Mr. Moody then related the parable of the prodigal son. "The Devil had got this man down—down there among the swine. Think of a Jew taking care of swine! The lowest thing possible—he couldn't get lower, except to beg. Then he gets to thinking. 'Wonder if father's alive. What would he say if I went back? I might go back and sneak into the kitchen and get a meal of cold victuals from the servants. But if I'd go home what would the old abolitionist say? There it is—he hadn't lost his pride. That's the last thing a man loses. He was put to feed swine because he couldn't be trusted to do anything else. He was no good. The Devil had him in his clutches. A man's not long in the Devil's service until he's not fit to be trusted. Then he come to think of his parting from his old father—how the tears stood in the old man's eyes as he said, 'I can't let you go, my boy.' And then he come to think of the warm, loving heart of the old man, and he says to himself, 'I'll go back. I'll go back and throw myself on his mercy. And his father ran to meet him. Do you know there's only one place in the Bible that God is represented as running, and that's right here—God runs to meet the prodigal. And the wanderer forgot his speech—you know he had a little speech made up: 'Father, forgive me and let me be one of your hired servants'—but he didn't get a chance to speak it, for the father caught him in his arms and said, 'Bring forth the robe'—no second-hand robe, but the new robe—and said: 'This is my son who was dead and is alive again, who was lost and is found.' That's the way Christ welcomes you. Christ's heart is as full of sympathy and tenderness for you as a mother's for her child. O, sinner, Jesus wants you! He wants such as you! If you're slaves He wants you! Cast yourselves on His bosom and O, He'll clasp you in His arms and fall on your neck and take you to His heart.

"All you men that are not Christians won't you come down-stairs with me—spend a few minutes alone with me? This is the last meeting of this kind. I may not have a chance to talk to you tomorrow night. O, you that are not converted, won't you come? Spend a few minutes in silent prayer and ask the Lord if you should come."

The larger part of the audience followed Mr. Moody to the inquirers' meeting in the schoolroom, and the professed conversions there were more than could be numbered.

THE AFTERNOON SERVICES.

Three thousand people gathered at the Chicago Avenue Church yesterday afternoon to hear Mr. Moody preach. Those who came a few minutes late were turned away. One woman said she had come eighty miles to hear Mr. Moody, but the man stationed at the door told her he was ordered not to let any one else up. Mr. Moody spoke substantially as follows:

"I have a subject today rather than a text—what Christ is to every one of us. It would take a good deal more than one afternoon to tell what He is willing to do. Some people are not sure whether they are saved or not. I ask you, are you delivered from sin? Have you gained a victory over your sins? Christ can save you. He does not save us in our sins, but from our sins. Christ came that we might have life. If you haven't got Him you can get Him right here. He not only saved us, but delivered us from sin. If I see a man drowning I rush over to him, pull him out, and leave him on the shore. But God does not leave us: He will deliver you if you will let Him. He has power over disease, devils, and death. We have one devil at the present time, and that is enough. We want to cast him out. Christ came to cast him out. Your soul may be diseased, but the Lord can heal it. Lots of people do not know what they come here for. They come to hear me speak, and forget that they must have faith. If you have faith God will bless you; if you have a diseased soul bring it to Him and He will cleanse it. People say they want spiritual life and come here for it, but you must go to Him for it. He will give it to you in abundance. If He has power to quicken a dead body, has He not the power to quicken a dead soul? Different denominations of religion are continually warring with each other, each one saying that that is the right way. But Christ says, 'I am the way,' and if we follow Him we will have the right way. Any creed that brings me nearer to Christ is my creed. If you are in the dark today it is because you are not near Christ. Draw near to the light; press right up to Him, and the nearer you get the more light you will have. A friend once asked me: 'Moody, how do you feel?' I told him I didn't know and would have to think. I was so occupied with Christ. You must be so occupied with the Savior that you will not know how you feel. A friend of mine once told me how on his travels he stopped over night alongside of a very high mountain. He told a guide to wake him early in the morning so that they could climb the mountain and see the sun rise. In the morning my friend was awakened, but was bitterly disappointed to find the rain pouring down. He went out and began the ascent, but after awhile he said: 'What's the use of climbing up there? After we get there we won't see anything.' But the guide said come up a little higher. And they went higher up, till they were above the clouds. They could see the lightning flash below them, and far in the distance was a beautiful sight—the rising sun. Now, friends, if you are in the dark climb up a little higher and you will find the light. What the sun is to the solar system Christ is to the spiritual light. If you want God to teach you come to Him and He will be your teacher."

TO SET TYPE BY ELECTRICITY.

THE MATTER IS CORRECTED BEFORE IT IS SET—A NEW USE FOR THE TAPE.

New York *Sun:* A novel machine, which is intended not only to set type automatically, but to correct all errors before the type is set, has been invented by a stenographer of this city, and patents have been issued to cover all its vital principles.

The machines hitherto made to set type have all had a keyboard, before which the operator sat, and by touching the keys caused the type to drop as wanted from reservoirs through guiding tubes into the stick or galley made to hold them, thus setting the matter in one continuous line, which an assistant broke up into short lines to fit the newspaper column or book page, as desired. In the stenographer's machine the operator prepares a tape which is run through a machine which sets the type automatically.

In preparing the tape the operator sits at a keyboard, which can be arranged like the keyboard of either of the common typewriters. When a key representing a letter is touched the act punches three holes in a line across the tape. The three holes are always in a line with each other, but they are in different places on the line, according to the letter to be represented. Thus the letter A could be represented by three holes like these:

o o o

and the letter B by these:

o o o

Every time a letter is punched the tape is moved along a certain distance before another letter is punched. This distance depends on the width of the letter. Thus, if the tape is moved along one-fourth of an inch when the letter e is punched out, it would be moved along one-half inch when the letter m is punched out, because the letter m is twice as wide as the letter e. Spaces between words and all sorts of type characters are allowed for in this way. As the tape runs out of the punching machine an assistant measures it off into lengths which is divided up in sections which represent every type character. The whole length of the rule represents the length of a line of type to fit the page or column desired. When the end of the rule lands near the end of a word so that by thin spacing the remaining letters would go into the line, enough holes representing the ordinary thick spaces between words are filled and replaced by other holes representing thin spaces, which are punched in by hand, in order to allow the letters to come in. If a word is to be divided a line of holes representing the hyphen is punched in between the two syllables, and then holes representing spaces are changed until the rule shows that the line is exactly spaced out. As the spacing is done mathematically the lines must be all of the same length, and thus the pressman will never be obliged to insert a "Dutchman" to make a "form lift."

The tape is read by copy for errors. The lines of holes which represent wrong letters are filled, the correct holes are punched, and the holes representing spaces are changed until the line is right. The wrong letters are left out the tape is cut apart and lengthened and the holes punched in. Doubled words are corrected by filling half the holes. At the end of each line a row of holes representing a quad to separate the lines for convenience in handling is inserted. Then the tape is run through a machine which makes another tape with duplicate rows of holes, with the lines being at a uniform distance from each other. This tape is used to set the type.

Each type character has a reservoir, and the reservoirs are placed side by side. A series of pointers are arranged to simultaneously fly at the bottom type in each reservoir, but a series of ten narrow, thin steel plates intervene between the points and the type. These plates have rows of little holes in them, and under certain circumstances the holes get into such a position that one of the pointers passes through the plates and knocks a type out of its reservoir. The type slides down a shoot and lands in the "stick" that is ready to receive it. The tape, by means of an electric current, controls the little steel plates. When the tape is put into the type-setting machine it passes over a steel roller and under a row of ten steel fingers. The roller is connected with a battery. As the type passes over the roller the fingers find the rows of holes and

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 1886.

THE sum of $500,000 in gold bars is to be shipped from New York to Europe today.

THE German Ambassador in London has declared that his Government will uphold monometallism

ALL hope has been abandoned of recovering alive any of the men entombed in the Newburg, W. Va., mine.

MME. LOUISE MOUREY, convicted with Editor Stead in the Eliza Armstrong case, died yesterday in Millbank Prison.

HENRY M. STANLEY, the African explorer, has been appointed manager of the work of building a line of railway into the Congo country.

THE total number of business failures in the United States and Canada for the week just ended is reported as 394, against 334 for the week previous.

THE total import of dry goods at the Port of New York for the week just ended is valued at $1,988,817, and the total amount put on the market at $2,317,205.

THE unsettled condition of affairs in Burmah is such that Lord Dufferin has issued a circular warning all foreigners in Mandalay against exposing themselves either singly or in small parties.

THE Lieutenant-Governor of Ohio yesterday announced that he would heed no rules established by the majority cutting down his constitutional rights. He asserted that he would perform his duties in accordance with law and precedent.

THE Turkish Commissioner in Egypt proposes a Turco-Egyptian army for the defense of that country, holding that the expense of the English army now in the country is too great for Egypt to bear in the present condition of her finances.

AT the mass-convention of Iowa Prohibitionists held at Des Moines yesterday it was resolved to assist the Governor in the enforcement of prohibitory laws, and also that women should be given the right of ballot in municipal and school affairs.

NO FURTHER disturbance was reported in the Pennsylvania coke region yesterday. A large mass-meeting of miners was held, and it was resolved to maintain the strike until the restoration of the rate of 1884. It is estimated that the strike has already cost $50,000.

M. ROCHEFORT'S bill granting amnesty to all political offenders was voted urgency yesterday in the French Chamber of Deputies. The resignation of the Cabinet anticipated as possible after this vote did not occur, the Government awaiting a further stage of the measure's progress.

THE lower temperature throughout the Northwest foretold by the signal service was felt seriously yesterday. The temperature from Southern Iowa northward fell steadily, and the effect of the cold wave was felt in Chicago during the day, the cold increasing rapidly toward nightfall.

THE effect of Mr. Gladstone's speech in Parliament is said to be the inspiration of hope in the Nationalists that they may rely upon him for real assistance in securing home rule. Mr. Thomas Sexton in an eloquent speech indicated the firm attitude of the Irish party, but said that neither he nor his colleagues would interfere with any honest effort for Ireland's good.

IN receiving a delegation from the South Atlantic Harbor Improvement Convention yesterday, the President said that his views on the transportation question had changed, and that he was now profoundly impressed with the importance of developing the natural waterways of the country. He expressed himself as in favor of a judicious expenditure of public money on such improvements.

THE money market was dull and unchanged. Sixty-day sterling bills were a little higher. Investment securities were quiet. The New York stock market was moderately active, with a declining tendency.—The Chicago grain markets were strong, with more activity, while provisions were easier. Wheat was the subject of good buying on the belief that the export movement is exhibiting a more healthy phase, with a smallness in the shipments of wheat from first hands in the West. As compared with Thursday, pork closed 10 cents lower, lard unchanged, meats 2½ cents lower, wheat 1½ cents higher, corn, oats, rye, and flaxseeds ½ cent higher, and barley easy.

SOME of the advocates of the scheme to appropriate $50,000 for the completion of the abstract books now in the custody of the County Recorder have attempted to mislead the public by advancing the plea that the whole cost of the work is to be paid for out of "the surplus earnings of the Recorder's office." They omit notice of the fact that the Recorder's office and the Abstract Department are distinct institutions, and that from the time the county went into the abstract business the Recorder has put forward and successfully sustained a plea for additional compensation on the ground that it is no part of his official duty to take charge of the abstract books. The Recorder is not required by law to hold the custody of the tract indices, and when it suits his purpose he maintains this proposition with great vigor. There is no reason, therefore, why the surplus earnings of the *Recorder's* office should be used to pay for work in the *Abstract* Department. If the proposition were to pay for the work out of the surplus earnings of the Abstract Department there would be more justice in it.

THE EASTERN MONEY PLUTOCRACY.

The current assertion that the "East" as a section is opposed to silver and in favor of making money scarce and dear needs some qualification. The farmers, the workmen, and the debtor classes in the East are not devoted to gold monometallism, but the organs and avenues of public opinion in certain quarters are so completely under the control of the bond and mortgage holding plutocracy that public sentiment is falsely represented to be unanimously in favor of dear money and a heavier burden of debt. The plutocrats who own the great Eastern corporations, banks, newspapers, insurance and trust companies, etc., not only exercise an inordinate influence in forming public sentiment in sections where their power reaches every class of society, but they are often able to give it a false impression. Even in New York and Massachusetts it may be doubted whether an actual majority of the people in a fair and unrestrained expression of opinion would declare in favor of gold monometallism. At any rate, the money plutocracy of the United States is circumscribed within a narrow strip of territory, and, together with all its dependents and hangers-on, numbers not more than a scant 5,000,000 of people. On what do these Cæsars feed that they should assume to dictate the financial policies of the entire country?

The domain of the bond and the mortgage holding classes covers New York City, and about 200 square miles in the State south of the Highlands and east of the Hudson, and all of Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts, especially Boston and suburbs. Here live the great mass of the coupon-clippers, who "enjoy without working"; the men who own seven-eighths of all the railroad stocks and bonds held in the United States; who draw interest on the town, county, and municipal debts of the West, and through their loan and trust companies hold mortgages on thousands of Western farms; who have the great insurance companies, banks, and incorporated monopolies completely under their control; who swing the monopoly-patents; and whose idea of finance is to use these agencies to tax the people of the country and of the West in particular to the greatest possible limit. The dearer the money of the country the greater their profits in collecting insurance rates, farm-mortgage dues, railroad charges, and interest on State, county, and municipal bonds. With them the chief end of man is to increase the fixed charges payable to their order by the people of the West. The territory described was in the last Presidential campaign the home and abiding-place of the mugwumps—the only part of the country where their influence was felt. The bond and mortgage holding plutocracy furnished the votes and the money in New York which elected Cleveland President. Vanderbilt and Gould were the first to tender him public congratulations on his success. The money-lending classes of New York, almost all of whom were mugwumps, elected Mr. Cleveland President, and in grateful recognition of their services he has given them three representatives in a Cabinet of seven members and has put the Treasury Department in the entire control of their agents. The money plutocrats saw the perfect result of their work when at the meeting of Congress the President—a New York man—advocated suspension of the silver coinage, Manning—a New York banker—advised retirement of the greenbacks, and Jordan—a third New-Yorker—urged the abolition of gold and silver certificates. Such measures would enormously swell the returns of the money-lenders and double up the burdens of the people. But in recognizing the source and means of its success the New York Administration favored them all! Never before was there an Administration professedly Democratic so absolutely devoted to a plutocracy.

Taken by itself and considered on its own merits it would not be difficult to satisfy the people that a suspension of the silver coinage would be prudent, but they are willing to run some risk in continuing it rather than play into the hands of the Eastern money power at a time when it has absolute control of the National Treasury. The silver dollar is the only form of money whose volume is not fixed by law or controlled by the banks. The greenback issue is limited to $346,000,000, and the banks control the gold bullion as well as the National-bank currency. If the silver coinage were suspended they would have unrestrained power to make money scarce or plenty at their will. Rather than take any such risks as this the people are willing to continue the silver coinage. If the country had a Republican Administration, or even a Democratic one not absolutely governed by the gold-bug plutocracy, it would be possible to argue the question of suspension on its merits; but in the present situation the people of the West understand that to give an inch will be at the risk of losing a mile. The Eastern plutocracy was never so aggressive and powerful as under the Administration of its own making.

ANOTHER PROHIBITION COMPLICATION.

A decision just announced by Judge Brewer of the United States Circuit Court at Topeka, Kas., presents another grave complication in the prohibition question. The case presented was that of a brewer whose property was worth $50,000 for the purpose of manufacturing beer, but not over $5,000 for any other use. He claimed that the Kansas Prohibitory law had destroyed and confiscated his property to the extent of $45,000, in violation of the fourteenth amendment to the National Constitution, which declares that no person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property without "due process of law." As the Kansas Judges were enforcing the confiscation he appealed to the Federal courts for protection, and in the ruling just announced the claim of the brewer is sustained. It is held that he is entitled to the protection of the Federal courts, and that the State of Kansas cannot interfere with the operation of the brewery without first making full compensation to the owner for his property. Of course, this decision applies only to breweries in existence at the time of the passage of the Prohibitory law, and would not cover the case of any established since. Judge Brewer has forwarded a copy of his opinion to the Federal courts in Iowa, which State, being within his circuit, is also immediately affected by the decision.

The ruling of Judge Brewer, although startling to the Prohibitionists, is not open to criticism. It will undoubtedly be upheld by the United States Supreme Court. As the Judge says, "Debarring a man, by express prohibition, from the use of his property for the sake of the public, is a taking of private property for public uses," and this cannot be done until full compensation is made to the owner. Of course the Prohibitory law does not actually divest the brewer of his property, but, as the Judge clearly says, "it is the power to use and not the mere title which gives value to property." As to the claim that the confiscation was legally made by "due process of law" Judge Brewer points out that the Kansas statute gives the local Judges no option but to enforce it, and hence property-holders affected by the act must appeal to the Federal courts to have their rights judicially determined. In summing up his opinion Judge Brewer says there is no doubt the State can prohibit the manufacture of beer or other liquors, but before it can do so must pay the value of the property destroyed.

Judge Brewer's decision until reversed must stand as law throughout his circuit, which comprises the States of Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, and Colorado, although Iowa and Kansas are the only States immediately affected. The ruling does not make it impossible for these States to forbid the manufacture of liquor, but it requires them to assume a heavy bill of costs and double up their taxes if they expect to maintain such laws. The Judge, who is personally favorable to prohibition, expresses the opinion that if the people in their zeal for temperance have infringed sacred and protected rights of property "they will gladly hasten to make the compensation which shall be found just." If this be true, the Iowa and Kansas Legislatures must make an enormous increase in the tax levies, for they will not only have to pay the millions invested in breweries and distilleries, but the expense of the condemnation and appraisement proceedings will be very heavy and no doubt lead to costly litigation. The last census gave Iowa 114 breweries, and it has a number of distilleries, among them "the biggest in the world." To pay 90 per cent on all this property would prove a heavy burden on taxpayers, and there is no way to shift the load on posterity, since the Constitution forbids a State debt in excess of $250,000, which of course would be a mere bagatelle in comparison with the bill of damages presented by the brewers and distillers. Will Iowa and Kansas modify their prohibitory laws or prepare to foot the bills? Is the enthusiasm of the Prohibitionists so radical and cheerful that they will come down with the cash which the experiment requires?

THE CONTEMPLATED "JOB" IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE.

The Recorder of Cook County now receives an extra compensation of $1,000 per annum for keeping the custody of the abstract books. This sum is paid to him exclusively out of the earnings of the Abstract Department. It has never heretofore been attempted to rob the surplus of the Recorder's office for the purpose of paying any of the expenses of the Abstract office. It is a grave question whether the payment of any extra compensation to the Recorder is authorized by law. We believe if the case were to be presented to the Supreme Court that body would decide that the Recorder could not, under the Constitution of Illinois, receive any extra compensation for his services. The Constitution provides in Art. 10, Sec. 9, as follows:

> The . . . Recorder of Deeds of Cook County shall receive as the *only* compensation for his services a salary to be fixed by law.

In the case of the City of Decatur vs. William Vermillion (77th Ill., page 315) the Supreme Court held that where a person was appointed by city authorities as Poundmaster, and the compensation for his services as such fixed, and he was also appointed a special policeman merely as an incident to the first office and informed that he would receive no pay in the latter capacity, he is not entitled to recover anything from the city for services as policeman. It was also held that a promise to pay an officer an extra fee or sum beyond that fixed by law is not binding, although he renders great services and exercises a degree of diligence greater than could legally have been required of him.

The specific point in the case of the Recorder receiving compensation for his services in the Abstract Department has never been presented to the Supreme Court. It was, however, submitted to Judge Smith, and he ruled adversely to the Recorder's claim. It was then taken up to the Appellate Court and the case was reversed and remanded, whereupon the prosecution of it was dropped. The opinion of the Appellate Court was delivered by Judge Wilson. It will not be denied that Judge Smith is as sound a lawyer as Judge Wilson. The opinion of the former is as well worth having as that of the latter, and it is as likely that the Supreme Court would agree with Judge Smith as that it would affirm the decision of the Appellate Court if the case should be carried up. In fact, we believe that the compensation now given Scribner out of the earnings of the Abstract office is unlawful, but it can be justified or winked at on the ground that the custody of the abstract books really imposes upon him additional responsibility and labor. We cannot, however, imagine any sound argument which could be offered in justification of such a contract as that which it is now proposed to make between him and the County of Cook. For the county to agree to pay $50,000 to one of its own officials for the performance of work which he says he will not permit anybody else to perform would be plainly unlawful; and not only so, but it would be contrary to sound public policy and public morals. It would be a breach of trust on the part of the County Commissioners to execute such a contract, and any person who might be interested in the matter could tomorrow enjoin the board from carrying it out and Scribner from performing it, even if he should engage to do it.

The true way for the County Board to settle this matter once for all is to authorize the County Recorder to employ such a number of clerks as may be necessary to complete the tract indices, and their salaries, whatever they may be, can be paid out of the earnings of the Abstract Department—not the Recorder's office. If the abstract books are so enormously valuable, as has been alleged, there ought to be no difficulty in paying for the writing up of the books out of the earnings of that office. But the surplus derived from the Recorder's office belongs in the County Treasury and no place else. If the Recorder is not by virtue of the office to which he was elected responsible for the safe-keeping of these books, but must be paid an additional salary therefor, it is clearly no part of his duties to see that they are written up. That should be done under the supervision of the County Board. The Recorder is merely the janitor of the Abstract Department. Why should the County Board make a contract with its janitor for $50,000 to write up books concerning which, officially, he has no knowledge and no responsibility?

The fact that Recorder Brockway had all the abstract books for seven years written up by three persons, working nights only, during two years may suggest to the County Board how much profit there would be for Recorder Scribner in the contract to write up the remaining eight years for $50,000. Brockway could not have used for the pay of his nocturnal assistants to exceed $10,000, yet he copied all the abstract books for the first seven years succeeding the fire, and the records for these seven years are much more voluminous than those for the remaining eight years. During this first period there was a vast number of mortgages recorded and more transfers of real estate than at any time previous in the history of the city. While we clearly recognize the fact that making abstracts is much more laborious than copying them, yet if Brockway could make money by writing up half these books quietly at night with the help of two or three persons in two years surely the County Board can afford to employ all the clerical assistance that may be needed to write up the remaining books during the next two years. We do not see that Scribner need have anything to do with it beyond seeing that desk-room is provided and that the doors are locked at night.

THE NEGRO EXODUS.

The Southern papers for a week or two past have contained accounts of emigration movements now going on among the negroes of the extreme South which show that an exodus of more than ordinary magnitude has commenced, and that unless something is done to check it it may have a very serious reactionary influence upon the labor question in that section. The New Orleans *Times-Democrat*, summing up reports from all sides, finds that there are now three extensive movements progressing. One of these is an emigration of negroes from the South Atlantic States to Arkansas, which already has quite a number and has proved itself well suited to the race. The second is a movement from the Carolinas to California, which hitherto has had proportionally the smallest number of negroes of any State in the Union. Out of her total population in 1880 of 622,700 there were but 6,018, an increase of only 1,746 in ten years. The Chinese outnumber them 69,300 and the Indians 10,359; and both these races have more than doubled in the last ten years. It is more than probable that the antipathy of the people to Chinese labor is at the bottom of this movement, and that they have offered inducements for negro competition as one means of solving the question. The third general movement is one under the auspices of the United Transatlantic Society for the colonization of negroes in Africa, and a convention is to be held this year in Kansas City to still further perfect its plans. Besides these general movements, there are still many negroes going to Kansas, notwithstanding the partial failure of the first exodus to that State a short time ago, and there is a considerable movement of them to other States, particularly of servants, who find better wages in the North as well as better treatment.

It is evident there would not be such a general exodus as this if there were not good reasons for it, and the best proof of this statement is to be found in the spontaneity of the movement. It is not the work of agitators engineering the movement for personal profit. There is no regularly organized scheme nor any concert of action beyond the voluntary effort of individuals to escape from serious grievances and troubles. It is needless to say that the Southern papers do not assign any reason, but content themselves with advising the negroes not to go, and assuring them that they are acting against their best interests. It does not seem to occur to them, however, that if there were not powerful causes at work the negroes would not go. Their natural home is in the South. Their interests, their associations, their surroundings, all appeal to them to stay there, and if they do not stay then it is because the pressure to go is stronger than the pressure to remain. If they had their political rights; if they were allowed to vote and express their opinions as freely as the whites; if the State laws and business methods secured for them the same rights and the same opportunities to enjoy all the profits of their labor as they do the whites; if no unjust discriminations were made against them; if they had the same measure of justice in the courts as the whites—nothing would induce them to leave the South; and if they leave it is because they do not have these rights. A single illustration will show the injustice practiced upon them. The St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*, discussing this question, says:

> In every Southern State there are laws on the statute-books which give to the white landlord and merchant an almost absolute control of the interests of the colored renter or laborer. The "crop mortgage" system is only a legalized form of confiscation. A colored man is compelled to pay an exorbitant price for the use of land, to begin with—often as much per acre as it could be bought for by a white man; and in order to get provisions for his family while his cotton is being raised he must pledge his whole crop in advance, and pay for everything he buys at rates two or three times as large as those which are asked in the regular course of trade. At the end of the year he is in luck if he can settle with his landlord and storekeeper by turning over to them all the proceeds of his labor; more frequently he finds himself still in debt after such a transfer.

If there were no other reason than this it would be sufficient to account for the negro's eagerness to get away to some place where he can enjoy the fruits of his labor. If the South wants to keep him she has got to treat him like a man, and give him the same chances in labor, the same rights of citizenship, and the same justice in the courts which white men have. Otherwise she must expect to lose him and find her whole labor system thrown into confusion.

WASTING MUGWUMP POWDER.

Mr. George William Curtis in the current number of *Harper's Weekly* serves notice upon Gov. Hill that he is not carrying out the reform of the civil service as he and his fellow-mugwumps expected of him, although they voted against him. Notwithstanding their opposition to him in the campaign, they have all along entertained an idea that, as he had praised civil-service reform, and particularly as Mr. Cleveland voted for him, his performances would square with his preaching. Mr. Curtis quotes three tests by which the Governor must be judged in this matter: first, his appointment of Mr. Sterling; second, the suggestion in his message of opening the whole eligible list in order to furnish a greater range of choice; and third, his placing certain clerks in the office of the Secretary of State on the non-competitive list in order to allow the new Democratic Secretary to appoint Democrats at pleasure. Whereupon Mr. Curtis says: "These are all of them vigorous blows at the reformed system, and show indisputably that the Governor will weaken the law as much as practicable." Mr. Curtis closes his screed with a warning to the Governor that he will be watched by those who are not to be deceived, and that the source and object of these attacks upon civil-service reform will be understood by its friends.

The ways of the average mugwump are inscrutable and past finding out. What else should Mr. Curtis expect of Gov. Hill? Do men gather figs off thistles? Gov. Hill was nominated by Tammany. Prior to the nomination that organization met and formulated the conditions upon which the Democratic candidate was to be nominated. Those conditions were embodied in an out-and-out declaration of the spoils system, as opposed to the merit system, and a vigorous denunciation of the Civil-Service law and the reforms contemplated by it. Tammany was honest in the matter. It made no concealment of the issue upon which the campaign was to be fought. Its platform was prepared beforehand and it selected Gov. Hill as the candidate who would stand upon it and carry it out. It went to Saratoga and secured the adoption of the platform and the nomination of Gov. Hill as its representative. How, then, can Gov. Hill do otherwise than carry out the instructions of his party? Would he not be acting in bad faith to the large majority of the convention which nominated him and to the large majority of the party which elected him if he should conduct his Administration in defiance of his instructions and enforce the merit system when he was elected to enforce the spoils system?

Mr. Curtis goes further than this and reminds Gov. Hill that the President would not act thus in this matter, and regrets that the same power has been given to him that was given to the President. Yet the President knew that Gov. Hill was nominated by a spoils organization upon a spoils platform, and that he would carry out the objects for which that organization nominated him, and, knowing this, not only exposed his life to the emergencies of railroad traveling in going home to Buffalo to vote for him but violated the spirit of civil-service reform by sending his check for $1,000 to the New York spoilsmen to aid in his election. Mr. Curtis' references to the President are unfortunate. Wherein has he acted differently in administering the civil service of the Nation from Gov. Hill in administering the civil service of the State of New York? Mr. Curtis says: "Gov. Hill's praises of civil-service reform are of much less importance than his performances," and that he "can establish his claim to be a reformer only by very unmistakable conduct." Does not the same rule apply to the President? Is there any difference between the cant of Gov. Hill and that of the President on this subject, or between their performances, except that while the Governor is limited in the area of his operations the President's opportunities are only bounded by the National limits, and that, while the Governor has but a little handful of victims for the official guillotine, the President has already sanctioned the lopping off of nearly 50,000 heads, and is not through yet? Why, then, should Mr. Curtis waste his powder upon a man for whom he did not vote, fearing that he might not carry out the reform of the civil service in a single State, and condone, if not defend, the man for whom he did vote on the strength of his personal promises to Mr. Curtis himself that he would vigorously enforce the Civil-Service law and of his repeated declarations that public office is a public trust and that the merit system would govern his administration of the public business? Mr. Curtis knows well enough that the Civil-Service law has been violated continually by the President, by every member of his Cabinet, and by every head of a department, that thousands of removals have been made and no cause assigned, that when charges have been filed no investigation has been allowed, that notoriously unfit appointments have been made, and when proofs of their unfitness have been presented no attention has been paid to them, even in cases where those proofs indubitably established the fact that the appointees were convicts, jail-birds, ballot-box stuffers, and fine-workers. Why should Mr. Curtis find fault with the performances of a spoils Governor for whom he did not vote, when he has those of the reform President, for whom he did vote, continually before him?

A Very Pertinent Query for Recorder Scribner to Answer.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—[Editor of The Tribune.] There are in the Recorder's office 1,500 books of real-estate records of 600 pages each (average), the remaining books being chattel mortgages. Now, two good men will take off the original entries from three books in a week and compare them, and not work very hard, either. These two men at $18 per week make the cost of each book $12. Now, two other men at the same wages will post and compare again the entries equally as fast, and not work so hard as the first two. Say in all $24 per book (this is a large overestimate, though), or say $36,000, and the cost of sufficient books of the best quality will be, say, $1,500, or, in round numbers, $38,000. Now deduct one-half the work, which, as admitted by the Recorder and the experts, is now done, and we have $19,000 as the estimated cost of the work yet to be done; but as really two-thirds, instead of one-half, is now done, original entries being all taken off, $13,000 to $15,000 will complete the tract index books. And this $50,000 contract business means simply to add $10,000 per year illegally to the Recorder's salary in addition to the $1,000 now illegally added to it. What is the real difference between paying for this work out of money in the treasury and paying for it out of money *that would be in the treasury if the law was complied with?* Can you see any?

CLERK.

THE temperature is lower than is really necessary. The one fault handsome Dakota has is that, like all young people, she is too enthusiastic.

THE only rival of *Puck* in this country, the *Judge*, has become worth reading under its new management. The present editor, Isaac M. Gregory, is one of the cleverest paragraphists in the country, giving to the Rochester *Democrat and Chronicle* the reputation it at one time had as the brightest newspaper in the State of New York outside of the metropolis. He subsequently became managing editor of the *Graphic* in New York city, in which position his knack as a pungent writer was not called into play. For the *Judge*, too, have been secured artists who can do good work, one of the best on *Puck's* staff going over to the first-named publication and other caricaturists of note having been engaged. The *Judge* has certainly a field, for it has more to laugh at than *Puck*, which is a mugwump organ. In the hands of a shrewd journalist with bright assistants, the *Judge* should make its mission a success. Its illustrations in the past have been as bad as *Puck's* jokes.

THE palm must go to English political leaders for non-committal speeches. They are adroit.

THE newspapers of New York refer rather slightingly to "Tim" Campbell, successor to Sunset Cox, and the only rival in Congress to our only Lawler. They do not seem to admire him, just because he is vulgar, and ignorant, and brazen, knows what "boodle" means, and is no more fitted for a Congressman than he is for a school-teacher. New York has no more reason to be ashamed than Chicago has, but here we laugh, as the best thing to do, at such unfortunate representation. In almost every large city there is one such district which sends such a man to Congress. We can't help it. This country welcomes all classes, and our representation is part of the great historical experiment. It is as well to be placid about it.

A LOT of dynamiters have been sentenced in San Francisco to six months' imprisonment. The impression is likely to grow among a certain class that this isn't a free country, after all.

ONE of the most singular coincidences of which it is possible to form an idea, and one rendered all the more striking by the fact that a single individual in Asia has accidentally duplicated the exploit of an associated body of men in America, is reported in the foreign mail. An Englishman in Madras, a letter says, has by a lucky accident made a photograph of a tiger in the act of seizing its prey. The camera was focussed on a buffalo tied to a stake some thirty feet off, and had just received a dry plate, when a tiger leaped from the jungle and struck down the buffalo with a single blow. The operator kept his presence of mind and released his shutter before taking to his heels. The negative proved a poor one, but showed the relative attitudes of tiger and buffalo pretty well, and confirmed the generally accepted opinion that the tiger, with his knock-down blow, endeavors to dislocate the neck of his victim. The remarkable circumstance that the British photographer in Madras has all unconsciously repeated the feat of the mugwumps in this country will at once occur to the reader. Up to a year ago much doubt prevailed as to how the Democratic tiger, should it ever get a chance again, would assault its prey, and the mugwumps gave the beast its opportunity. The bullock was, through their folly, taken from the protection of the party under which it throve and left exposed to the tiger, that animal making its leap with the utmost promptness. Even in its details the coincidence is astonishing. The mugwumps, who had themselves anticipated a little amusement with the bullock, fled, appalled by the tiger's roar, when it appeared; but, like the photographer, they staid for a moment and got a poor negative of the performance. They were startled at the result. They had conceived, somehow, an idea that the Democratic tiger had an instinct beyond gratifying its hunger, that it was a proper sort of guardian for a bullock, and when they saw the neck of the bullock dislocated and the bloodsucking begin they were very nearly paralyzed, and, after cautiously approaching again, shouting a few times and attempting to "shoo" off the brute in New York last fall, fled from its vicinity. We doubt if, in modern times at least, has occurred a coincidence so wonderful as the one here referred to.

ANDRE ANDREWS, the Chicago pawnbroker who acted as a "fence" for Chicago thieves, has been put at shoemaking in the Joliet Penitentiary. This is as it should be. Shoemakers are noted, all over the world, as a class who reflect and who reason subjectively. Andrews has now his opportunity. He can think and think on what an ass he was to imagine he could be an undetected rogue forever. The chances are that our male Mother Mandelbaum will come out of the penitentiary an excessively thoughtful person.

THE President, it is now understood, will give the Senate all information it seeks regarding appointments the Senate must confirm or reject. This is sensible. There may be something in the story which has been in circulation that the President has been at no time indisposed to comply with the Senate's demand, but was piqued because members of the Cabinet were called upon and his own sanction or refusal ignored. The personal equation enters largely into the reasoning of men who ride into power on a wave.

IT is not good taste for Mr. Pulitzer of the New York *World* to call the Dakota representatives at Washington "tramps."

O'DONNELL, the San Francisco agitator, has accomplished something at last. He has crazed a 15-year-old boy. The boy, a youth named James McGinnis, listened to the ugly orator's speeches and at once became impressed with the idea that he should blow up British gunboats and slaughter Chinese. He is now in the insane asylum at Napa. He thinks he has thrown forty Chinese into the bay, but has still to perform the duty of blowing up the Bank of England. The people of San Francisco have been very patient with this man O'Donnell. We are a patient people all over the country—perhaps too much so.

THE Scotchman is beautifully practical, and one of the finest illustrations of this trait was recently afforded in India. It is related that when Theebaw and his retinue were landed as prisoners at Madras and turned over to a burly Scot on duty there the officer who had brought them demanded a receipt. The Scotchman promptly made it out, somewhat as follows: "Received of Col. Willoughby, one King, two Queens, thirteen maids of honor, etc., as per invoice." Could anything be neater than that? And it must be said of England that her orders for bills of goods of this kind are generally filled.

WOULD the editor of our esteemed but impulsive contemporary, the *Citizen*, mind a moment's consideration of the soundness of the old maxim, "Half a loaf is better than no bread"?

IT may be of interest for Mrs. Stanton and Miss Anthony to know that away back in the dingy past, before either of them was born, a law was enacted in Berne, Switzerland, allowing women to vote by proxy, but history has not yet recorded an instance in which a woman has taken advantage of the privilege, until at the last municipal election, which occurred the 6th of November. The Liberals, being largely in the majority, the reactionary party quietly hunted up the old law giving the right of suffrage (in matters affecting the municipal law of Berne) to such women as possess realty, and succeeded in carrying the election by 97 majority in a total vote of 4,250. It appears that the ladies in this instance voted all one way and with the reactionary party, but that fact should discourage no one. The Liberals may get them next time.

CURRENT NOTES.

Supplementary verse:

> When riding in the street-cars cold,
> The warmth I sadly needed;
> No glowing fire could I behold,
> Although I vainly pleaded.
> What do you think they gave me?
> O, hay, mamma! O, hay, mamma!
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> —*Maria Jansen in Chicago Rambler.*

"Who is that handsome young woman that sometimes waits on the table?" asked a new boarder. "Is she the landlady's daughter?" "You mean the lady just coming in with the strup-jug?" "Yes; she's very pretty, ain't she—the daughter of the house, I presume?" "Why, no; that's the boarding-mistress herself." The new boarder's inquiry and his flattering comments on her personal appearance soon reached the ears of the landlady, and now that boarder eats tenderloin and has the sirloin and sunniest room in the house.—*Boston Courier.*

"Prof." Dale of Binghamton, N. Y., recently "broke the world's record" by swinging Indian clubs four hours and fifty minutes. A young man in this town swung Indian clubs in his mother's parlor a few days ago, and, although he didn't break the world's record, he broke nearly everything else in the room, including the chandelier, mantel ornaments, two plaques, a statuet of Minerva, his own head, and one of the commandments. If the world's record had been within reach of his clubs he would have broken that too.—*Norristown Herald.*

One of our "late lamented" rich men, more noted for his wealth than his liberality, was standing on the water-front watching some sailors at work on the crosstrees of a large three-master. He was joined by a chronically impecunious newspaper-man, who had sampled the tender mercies of the man of money with very unsatisfactory results. "I declare," said the great man, "to see those fellows up there actually brings my heart into my mouth!" "Great heavens!" cried his companion, "look the other way. Don't let your heart get into your mouth; you'll break your teeth on it, sure!"—*San Francisco.*

"Sold anything while I was gone?" asked the shoe-store man of their new boy. "Half sold a pair of boots," replied the young man. "Half sold a pair of boots!" roared the merchant. "This is not a cobbler shop, you base plebeian!" "I know," replied the noble lad fearlessly; "but a man with a peg leg came along, and I sold him half a pair of split leather boots at French calf prices." The generous merchant faltered for a moment, and then fell upon the young man's neck and wept, cried like a child, because he didn't get more for the boot.—*Burdette.*

"I went down to Ridley villa one day last week," said Gracenote, "and sang for a church down there that was giving a little concert to raise some money. I sang for nothing, and then on my way to the depot I was arrested for giving an entertainment without a license. And, by Jove, sir, the magistrate gave me five days for it—five days—and I had to beg like pity to have it changed to a fine." "What did you sing?" asked his friend. "'Ah, so fair!'" "Yes." "Well," his friend said, thoughtfully, "it was worth it, every day of it. You weren't a bit overpaid. He should have given you ten."—*Brooklyn Eagle.*

PERSONALS.

One of Boston's oldest citizens is Joseph Hay, who celebrated his 96th birthday last week, at his home on Hillot street, in the house built by him sixty-five years ago.

The Vicar of Masham, England, thus concluded a sermon to his flock: "And now, friends, which is it to be—Salisbury, Churchill, and Heaven, or Gladstone, Chamberlain, and Hell?"

Gen. Lord Wolseley's appearance is decidedly effeminate, and when he speaks he accompanies each remark with a nervous shake of the head. He is disposed to be sociable, but is not a favorit with the "rank and file."

Anent the Greville Memoirs: the late Mr. Hayward related that on Garibaldi's first visit to England that patriot and Greville were placed side by side at a Stafford House dinner. Afterward, "Well, what do you think of Garibaldi?" Hayward asked "the Gruncher." "I think," said Greville, "that he is a fool. I never met any one less like a man of the world."

Mr. Labouchère of the London *Truth* says that he has never met with more practical, sensible men than the Irish Nationalist leaders when not under the influence of temporary excitement. "I have," he says, "been greatly struck with their broadness of view, which contrasts advantageously with our supercilious mode of treating political opponents, our insularity, and our want of facility to grasp new ideas."

Senator Fair has named an eminence in Laurel Hill Cemetery, San Francisco, "Senator's Hill." Five United States Senators are to be buried there. The bones of Broderick and Baker—men of fame when our fathers were younger—have been under the crust of the hill a long while, and a few days ago the body of Mr. Gwin was there interred. Mr. Sharon is to lie near his Senatorial predecessors, and a fifth Senator, Mr. Fair himself, is to join them anon.

Representative Heard of Missouri is a new man in Congress (says the New York *Tribune*), but he has read the papers and learned that "cold tea" means grog. So the other day he went into the House restaurant for a lunch, and ordered a cup of that cheering beverage. Surely enough, the waiter did bring veritable tea. Whereupon, "See here, my man," whispered Heard in deep disgust, "don't you know that when a gentleman orders 'cold tea' he means whisky?" "O, yes, sah," said the waiter "yes, sah! I'll make it all right, sah!" And moving the tea he walked up to the counter and demanded in tones audible half-way across the Potomac, "Whisky for one!"

The Washington correspondent of the Cleveland *Leader* says: "Mr. Randall lives outside of Philadelphia, and has an office in the city. His office is in the third story of a brick building, and is as forlorn as that of the Prosecuting-Attorney of a Texas county. It is barely furnished, and its owner cares nothing for appearances. Not long ago he changed his room from the front to the rear of the building, and, to let his friends know of the change, he did not have a card or a sign printed as the ordinary statesman would have done, but simply stuck his finger in the ink and wrote upon a sheet of wrapping-paper the words: 'The office of S. J. Randall is in the rear of the hall.' At the front of this he made a great hand in ink pointing in the direction of the room, and the cheapness of the interior of the office corresponded with the nature of this paper sign, which was hung upon the plaster wall by a string."

FROM THE FOREIGN MAILS.

A novel case of elopement from Ashford, Kent, occurred recently. A lad of 13 years named Frederick Holman, and Rose Law, a girl of 11 or 12, both of whom had given considerable trouble to their parents, disappeared from the town, and in the evening walked into the King's Head Hotel at Charing and ordered a room to be prepared and supper provided. The landlord, however, sent for the police, and the youthful couple were brought home again in the small hours of the morning.

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...THERIA NEAR READING, PA.

...Pa., Jan. 22.—Malignant diphtheria ...the northern portion of this county ...ning extent. Between twenty-five ...deaths have occurred within a short ...in a radius of five miles. The dis...ow broken out in the eastern portion ...and Township and numerous deaths ...d every day.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. Gladstone Nods Assent to Portions of Mr. Sexton's Ringing Speech.

The Ex-Premier Favors an Irish Parliament if the Empire's Integrity Is Preserved.

Germany Clings to Monometallism—The French Cabinet Will Not Resign—Cable Flashes.

THE IRISH PROBLEM.

THE GREAT QUESTION THRUST TO THE FRONT IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—[Via Mackay-Bennett Cable to The Tribune.]—Mr. Peter Rylands, that thorn, as member of Parliament for nearly twenty years, in the flesh of the Tory party, last evening moved the first pawn on the chessboard, amid cheers from both Liberals and Parnellites. He gave notice of a motion "to postpone debating procedure until after the consideration of legislation rendered necessary by the state of Ireland." This motion is likely to be a test as to how many Whigs and moderate Liberals will join the Government on Irish legislation.

Mr. Stanley Leighton, the Conservative member for the district between Shrewsbury Clock and adjacent Welsh mountains, led off the Irish question in the debate on the Queen's speech by asking the Irish Secretary whether it was true that a boycotted woman in Ireland was held down by a neighbor while a dog gnawed her legs, and whether any person had been arrested for the outrage—an incident narrated by the deputation of Orangemen to Lord Salisbury.

Sir William Hart-Dyke, the Irish Secretary, was not prepared to give any answer.

The honorable member said he would repeat his question Monday, whereupon Mr. T. M. Healey, who has been elected to sit from South Derry, rose, and, with comic gravity worthy of Charles Mathews, said:

"Mr. Speaker, I shall that day ask the Home Secretary whether his attention has been called to the case of an Englishwoman who tied her child to a chair before the fire and slowly roasted it to death."

SEXTON'S POWERFUL EFFORT.

While a comic shudder passed over the Tory benches, Mr. Sexton, the journalist and orator from Sligo, took up the debate. He accused the Cabinet of taking up coercion as a revenge on Ireland for the result of the election. Answering Lord Randolph Churchill, Mr. Sexton said that he (Lord Randolph) and the Government had deliberately excited false hopes in the Irish people while the election proceeded. He added:

The harangue of the Queen's speech is not duly resentful on the freedom of the House of Commons of the usage, custom, and spirit of the British Constitution. The party who present themselves as guardians of the Constitution have advised the sovereign to depart from the constitutional course of waiting upon the action of the House, and to declare in advance the opposition of the sovereign to a certain bill before the House has proceeded to consider such bill. A rising in arms by the rebel population of Roumelia is conclusive proof to the royal mind of the justice of their cause, but the election by five-sixths of the population of Ireland, instead of being dealt with like a rising in arms as an expression of the desire of the people, is to be treated, in the language of the sovereign, as simply a regrettable and deplorable attempt to excite hostility against legislative union.

What is the moral the Government wants to drive home to the people of Ireland? It might be understand that as long as they confine themselves to orderly, legal, and constitutional modes of giving expression to their desires they will be despised and condemned and that there is no probability that the expression of their desires can be regarded as valid by the Government until they are driven, and until they are compelled to rise in arms? When the right honorable gentleman (Churchill) is able to state his conclusions to the House the time will certainly have come when the Government—who appears to be somewhat in the frame of mind of a countryman of mine who in a fanciful anecdote is said to have declared he was "blue-molded for want of a hanging"—will have no longer to wait for the salutary chastisement they desire. It is for the Irish members to consider and decide whether and when they shall proceed in the House by division on the address or by bill, or by motion or by some measure which, though less direct, might happen to be more effective. It is plain to us that the paragraph in the speech is not intended so much as a declaration of opinion as for the instruction of the House or the guidance of the country as for the purpose of coaxing either the right honorable member from Midlothian and the Irish members into the presentation of an amendment. But the honorable member for Cork (Parnell) is rather too old a parliamentary bird to be caught by the familiar method, and moreover the chaff had been spread in an exceedingly artless manner.

Does the Government expect the Nationalist representatives will propose an amendment on the subject of coercion? Why should they? When coercion is proceeded with they will not be left under any mistake as to the determination of the Irish members to oppose it to the utmost in their power by every means at present known to parliamentary usage and such others as their future ingenuity of parliamentary usage may enable them to ascertain. I pity the Government more than I blame them. I believe they had good intentions last week, but that they disappeared under the pressure of circumstances. Within their ranks is a powerful element in the shape of eighteen Irish Tories and nine more returned by English constituencies.

Everybody knows Ireland requires some remedial measures, but if the Government tomorrow proposed a remedy for any Irish grievance it would fall through the desertion and opposition of these twenty-seven Irish Tories.

The Nationalist party are not called upon at this stage to define the demands of the Irish people. It is for them to state grievances and for the Government, with all its resources of statesmanship and knowledge of administration, to find a remedy. It is false and delusive to say that the Empire, the supremacy of the crown, and the supremacy of the Imperial Parliament is called into question by the demands of the Irish people. The supremacy of the crown has never been called into question and the supremacy of this Parliament requires no guarantee. The danger to the integrity of the British Empire, so far as Ireland is concerned, lies in the perseverance of the futile and antagonistic policy of keeping at their door a discontented people and a contrived society, and their permanent safety lies in unanimously and frankly attacking the question once and for all, and in giving a safe and rational measure of freedom to the Irish people.

Mr. Sexton spoke for an hour in the most impassioned style, but in a cool manner. Many said it was his greatest oratorical effort. As he sat down the hall was filled with Parnellite cheers. It is undeniable that the speech was a very fine effort. It closely followed the lines laid down by Mr. Parnell night before last, indicating in serious and manly phrases the ex traordinary position of the Nationalist party in the new Parliament, and their determination to insist on justice and consideration. Like Mr. Parnell, however, he stated that no word or act on the part of himself or his colleagues would interfere with honest efforts for Ireland's good. Mr. Gladstone listened intently to Mr. Sexton throughout, and afterwards told his friends that he had just been charmed by a piece of real oratory. Mr. Sexton's effort was a direct arraignment of Lord Salisbury's Government, many of his knock-down statements making the Tory leaders wince.

The Irish Attorney-General and Mr. E. Clarke followed, answering Mr. Sexton, while Mr. Labouchère backed him up, asking at every few sentences, "Then why shall not home rule be tried?"

GLADSTONE'S ASTOUNDING EFFORT.

The astounding effect of Mr. Gladstone's speech Thursday night, especially among the new Liberal members of Parliament, is becoming hourly more apparent. His phenomenal power of expression, the facility with which he turns an apparently hopeless position into one almost unassailable, and the infinity of resource which he displays compels an irresistible allegiance from young members. Besides, Mr. Gladstone's happy position on the Irish question, although he propounded no definit policy, has delighted the Parnellites, and they are almost unanimously agreed that Gladstone is still willing and able to persuade the country and his party into accepting home rule for Ireland. The former hope of Tory support has vanished, but a new one has risen in its place, and the Irish Parliamentary party turns once more to the great Liberal leader for the fulfilment of its desires. They realize that he alone of English statesmen is liberal enough to appreciate their demands and strong enough to grant them. At the Parnellite headquarters it is announced that if Mr. Gladstone will undertake the task of pressing measures for home rule the tactics of the Nationalist party will be modified so as to assist him in every possible way.

NEWSPAPER TALK.

The *Times* admits that "Mr. Sexton last night contributed to the debate a speech of great force and ability, in which he did all that could be expected of the orator to present the destruction of legislative union in a form capable of overthrowing the objections of Englishmen. He vigorously denounced the paragraphs in the Queen's speech dealing with Ireland. After Mr. Sexton's speech the debate fell far below the level of the occasion."

The *St. James' Gazette* says it is known that there is a resolute body of men behind the more peaceable members of the Irish National League who are determined to resort to violence unless the demands of the Parnellite party are conceded by Parliament. It is also known, says the *Gazette*, that even among the Irish members of the House of Commons there are several employés of O'Donovan-Rossa. The Government is aware that miscreants have elaborated plans to perform deeds of violence, and that they have selected a particular part of England in which to ply the knife and pistol, discarding dynamite, which the alleged plotters regard as a blundering medium.

The *Freeman's Journal* says: The Queen's speech opening Parliament Thursday was an opportunist attempt to please both the Irish parties. It has a tendency to propitiate the stronger party and disappoint the Loyalists.

The *Irish Times* says: The declaration of the Queen that the union shall not be broken is an anchorage for the Loyalists. The wisdom of Parliament will settle the rest. The foes of the Constitution have been disarmed.

The *Daily Telegraph*, in a leader, compliments Mr. Sexton for his "vein of mingled declamation, sarcasm, and statistical reasoning."

The *Morning Post* observes: "During the speech of Mr. Sexton we observed that Mr. Gladstone nodded assent when the former stated that, as he understood the latter, he was in favor of the restoration to Ireland of a native Legislature so long as the integrity of the Empire, the supremacy of the Crown, and the authority of the Imperial Parliament were secured."

For the *Standard* Mr. Sexton seems to have been too powerful. It says in a supposed vein of satire: "He took occasion last night to renew those flourishes without which the springs of Irish-American benevolence would speedily dry up and cause nationality to wither."

The *News* applaudingly says: "Mr. Sexton opened in a speech which recalled his old form. It was both forcible and persuasive, and the new members who heard the Irish case for the first time could hardly have heard it more effectively stated."

The comments of foreign papers on the Queen's speech are mainly devoted to the enormous difficulty which it is thought the English Government will experience in dealing with the Irish question. The German newspapers say that the portion of the speech relating to the Balkan problem compares favorably with the Russian statements on that subject.

The *Telegraph* says that the Irish members of the House of Commons view with grave discontent the proposed new rules of procedure. At present a motion for adjournment before business can be made if forty members concur. It is proposed that at least 100 members must concur in such a motion. The Nationalists, who are eighty-six in number, complain that the new rule is directed against them.

IRELAND'S NEW CHIEF SECRETARY.

Viscount Cranbrook has been appointed Secretary of State for War in place of Mr. W. H. Smith, who has accepted the office of Chief Secretary for Ireland. The *Chronicle* says that Mr. Smith will start for Dublin tonight and will take with him, if adopted by the Cabinet, a scheme for the establishment of a new Irish land bank.

[THE TRIBUNE printed a sketch of Ireland's new Chief Secretary Thursday morning. The Rt.-Hon. Gathorne Gathorne-Hardy, Viscount Cranbrook, G. C. S. I., D. C. L., the new Secretary of State for War, was made Lord-President of the Council under the Salisbury régime. He is the youngest son of the late Mr. John Hardy, M. P., of Dunstall, Staffordshire, by marriage with Isabel, daughter of Mr. Robert Gathorne-Hardy of Lowdale. He was moreland, and was born in 1814. He was educated at Shrewsbury, graduated at Oriel College, Oxford, and became a barrister of the Inner Temple in 1840. As Mr. Gathorne-Hardy he sat in the House of Commons for Leominster from 1856 to 1865, and for Oxford University from 1865 till 1878, when he was raised to the Peerage. He was Under Secretary for the Home Department from 1858-'59, President of the Poor-Law Board in 1866-'67, Home Secretary in 1867-'68, Secretary of State for War from 1874 to 1878, and Secretary of State for India from 1868 till 1880. He is a magistrate and Deputy-Lieutenant for the West Riding of Yorkshire, and a magistrate for Kent, late Chairman of the West Kent Quarter Sessions. Lord Cranbrook married in 1838 Jane, daughter of Mr. James Orr of Hollywood-House, County Down.]

GENERAL NOTES.

If the National League is proclaimed in Ireland the Central Executive of the organization will be located in England.

The letters of Mr. Frederick Bussy, the Cable News Relief Commissioner, which have been published in the London *Morning Chronicle* and many provincial journals, have created a widespread interest. His graphic descriptions of misery and suffering on the islands off the west coast of Ireland have even aroused the Irish Local Government into sending an inspector to Innisbofin and the other islands to inquire into the condition of the inhabitants. The Poor-Law Guardians in these islands have thus far succeeded in collecting but a fraction of the local taxes with the greatest difficulty, and in order to obtain this mite they have been obliged to pay the collectors a commission of two shillings sixpence in the pound. The seed-potatoes upon which the inhabitants have been subsisting are nearly all gone.

The Judge, in opening the Tralee Assizes, commented on the formidable list of desperate crimes against property and persons to engage the attention of the court.

Mr. O'Brien's amendment to the address in reply to the Queen's speech recites that "the depression in agriculture works grievous hardships upon the tenants, who form the bulk of the people of Ireland, and, being destitute of capital, they are unable to obtain credit. Owing to a succession of bad seasons, they are reduced to a helpless condition and are unable to pay full rent. Their hardships are aggravated by an inconsiderate use of legal power by the land owners in enforcing evictions and refusing the abatement required. This house, therefore, with the view of insuring respect for law and order, should consider as soon as possible measures by which the Irish courts will be enabled to stay evictions and arrange a settlement between tenants and landlords."

THE MONETARY QUESTION.

GERMANY WILL UPHOLD A SINGLE STANDARD—BIMETALLISTS' CONVENTION.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The German Ambassador here has declared that the German Empire will uphold monometallism.

The early announcement of Germany that she has determined to adhere to monometallism is a real surprise. In the face of the extensive agitation in favor of bimetallism which has been going on in the agricultural districts of Germany for weeks this sudden determination on the part of the German authorities is entirely unexpected. The farmers, to whom a dual currency is almost vital, have held meetings in all sections, circulated thousands of pamphlets and petitions explaining their wants, and otherwise tried to impress upon the Berlin Government a full sense of the necessity for a return to a bimetallic standard. The bureaucracy of the Capital has, however, turned a deaf ear to these appeals, and the edict for a gold standard has gone forth.

BERLIN, Jan. 22.—Herr Scholtz, the Prussian Finance Minister, declared in the Reichstag today that the Imperial Government would uphold monometallism. He explained that he was not a fanatical partisan of the gold standard, and could sympathize with sufferers in their efforts to raise the value of silver, but the question was an international one and must be treated accordingly. While he would carefully examine the question, he was unable to undertake the introduction of a measure providing for an international double standard.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The annual meeting of the International Monetary Standard Association was held today. Mr. Henry H. Gibbs, ex-Governor of the Bank of England, presided, and, in an address, admitted that the progress of bimetallism was slow in England, but said it was advancing in Germany. He said he believed that the Royal Commission on the depressed condition of trade in Great Britain would report that the present condition of the silver question had an important bearing on the depression. Mr. Henry H. Grenfell, Governor of the Bank of England, expressed confidence that the United States would not alter the provisions of the Bland bill. Bimetallism, Mr. Grenfell said, was of vital interest to trade and agriculture. Mr. Thomas Sutherland, member of Parliament for Greenock, and Mr. Samuel Montague, member of Parliament for Tower Hamlets, and other gentlemen also delivered addresses. The meeting resolved to form a gold and silver league on a popular basis.

FRANCE.

ROCHEFORT MAKING IT WARM FOR THE CABINET AND BOULANGER FOR CERTAIN ARMY OFFICERS.

PARIS, Jan. 22.—The Cabinet will not resign in consequence of the vote in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday, but will wait until M. Rochefort's bill has reached the committee stage, when it is hoped the measure will be rejected.

[This refers to the fact that Thursday the Chamber of Deputies by 251 yeas and 146 nays voted urgency for M. Rochefort's bill granting amnesty to all political offenders and to the Arabs imprisoned at Marseilles for participating in the Algerian rebellions.]

The army is agitated over a rumor that Gen. Boulanger, the Minister of War, intends to dismiss from the service all officers who are suspected of being in sympathy with the Monarchists.

Mme. Bernhardt will start for America April 15.

The Paris police have just searched the residence of Mlle. Alice Regnault, in connection with the outrage on Mme. de Martel, otherwise known as "Gyp," last July. Mme. de Martel was seated in her house, busily engaged in writing at 2 o'clock in the morning, when she was fired upon from the street, the ball passing through a window of the room in which she was seated. The search of Mlle. Regnault's house failed to reveal anything that could incriminate her with regard to the affair. It is not known why the search was ordered, or what ground the police authorities had for suspecting her. The origin of the outrage is still veiled in obscurity.

Mme. Barreme, widow of the Prefect who was recently assassinated in a railway carriage while en route from Paris to his home, has denounced one of her relations as the murderer of her husband.

A number of cabinet factories in Belleville were destroyed by fire last night. Retreat from the buildings was cut off and many workmen were compelled to jump from the windows; others were rescued by means of ropes. All those who leaped from the windows received severe injuries. Several bodies were taken from the ruins last night and several more today. The pecuniary loss is 300,000 francs. Three hundred persons are thrown out of employment.

Admiral Aube, Minister of Marine, has stopped the building of two projected men-of-war.

President Grévy gave audience today to Señor Albareda, the new Spanish Ambassador to France. M. Grévy expressed his sympathy with Queen Christina on the death of King Alfonso, and said he was equally interested in her achievement of the great task bequeathed to her by the premature death of Alfonso.

A SORRY NEW-YEAR'S GIFT.

INCREASED TROUBLES AND PERILS FOR ENGLAND IN BURMAH.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The *Times'* Mandalay correspondent says:

A Burman who was suspected of being connected with a conspiracy was placed among the corpses of five Dacoits who had just been executed. The Provost Marshal then threatened the man with instant death by shooting if he did not confess all he knew of the supposed conspiracy in which certain Burmese Ministers were alleged to be implicated. A squad of soldiers were drawn up in line and presented their rifles at the man. This frightened him into making a confession, in which he implicated seven of the Burmese Ministers. His testimony was written in a book borrowed from a newspaper correspondent and was taken to Mr. Bernard, the British Chief Commissioner, who, after learning the circumstances under which it had been given, indignantly refused to receive it. Col. Staden, the British Police Inspector, has made a report of the affair to the chief military officers.

Lord Ranoolph Churchill, Secretary for India, was asked in the House of Commons this evening what truth there was in the *Times* correspondent's story. He replied that he was unable to believe that the Provost Marshal had been guilty of the monstrous and inhuman conduct with which the correspondent charged him. He said he had ordered an immediate inquiry to be made into the facts of the case. If the story proved to be true exemplary punishment would be meted out to the Provost Marshal.

Advices from Mandalay say that Lord Dufferin has ordered the publication of a circular warning Europeans not to expose themselves either singly or in small parties.

Advices from Mandalay say that the Hlot-Dau, or Public Council, has sent a communication to Mr. Bernard, the British Commissioner, declaring that it cannot govern unless it be given paramount authority over the whole of Burmah and the Alompra Prince be enthroned. The dispatches say it is probable that the Hlot-Dau will be dissolved, and it is believed a majority of its members are intriguing in favor of the pretender.

THE BRITISH BUDGET.

QUEEN VICTORIA RETURNS TO OSBORNE—A TESTIMONIAL TO SALISBURY.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The Queen has returned to her palace at Osborne, Isle of Wight.

A movement is on foot in the House of Lords to present Earl Granville with a testimonial in honor of his thirty years' service as Liberal leader. The sum of £1,000 has already been collected. The present will probably be in the form of a picture of his wife and children.

Mme. Louise Mourey, who, with Mr. Stead, editor of the *Pall Mall Gazette*, and others, was convicted in November last in connection with the Armstrong abduction case and sentenced to six months' imprisonment, died today in Millbank Prison. Bright's disease was the cause of her death.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 22.—[Via Mackay-Bennett Cable to The Tribune.]—The battle between the husbands of Carl Rosa's prime donne was today disposed of before the police court. Mr. Leslie Crotty, the husband of Miss Georgiana Burns, had at rehearsal used his seal ring and fist on the face of Col. Henry Mapleson, husband of Mme. Marie Rose. Mr. Crotty thought Col. Mapleson had written him down in the Liverpool *Post*. The latter thought, "I am in the presence of ladies. Duelling is illegal. Instead of playing in Byron's comedy, 'Blow for Blow,' I shall invoke 'The Magistrate.'"

Prima donna Georgiana convinced her husband that he was mistaken; prima donna Rose said her husband would forgive him; whereupon, before the court, Mr. Crotty regretted his rashness and Col. Mapleson gallantly a joke as the tag: "I forgive." Curtain.

A part of the crew of the ship Frank N. Thayer, from Manila for New York, before reported burned at sea, were saved.

A deputation of West India planters today waited upon Col. F. A. Stanley, the Colonial Secretary, for the purpose of urging the Government to confirm the draft of a convention and trade arrangement with the United States. Col. Stanley held out to them no hope that the Government would sanction such a measure.

The Prince of Wales is at the seat of the Duke of Westminster on a visit. The people of Chester made preparations to receive the Prince this evening on his arrival, the city being illuminated in his honor. They were greatly disappointed, however, as the Prince alighted at a station this side of Chester and thence drove quietly to Eaton Hall. It is reported that the change of program was due to Irish threats against the Duke of Westminster.

STANLEY'S LAND.

PREPARATIONS FOR BUILDING THE CONGO RAILROAD AND OTHERWISE DEVELOPING THAT COUNTRY.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The Congo railroad syndicate has appointed Mr. Henry M. Stanley manager of the work of laying the line of railway into the Congo country.

The Government of the Congo State has asked Mr. Henry M. Stanley to renew his engagement with that State.

The Congo Government has made a contract with the Lisbon Empresa Nationale for a monthly mail steamship service for five years.

THE DEFENSE OF EGYPT.

MOUKHTAR PASHA PROPOSES A TURCO-EGYPTIAN ARMY IN PLACE OF THE ENGLISH FORCES.

CAIRO, Jan. 22.—Moukhtar Pasha, the Turkish Commissioner in Egypt, has proposed that a Turco-Egyptian army be organized for the defense of Egypt in place of the English army now in the country, as, in his opinion, the latter army is too costly a burden for Egypt, in view of her limited revenues. It is said that Sir Henry Drummond Wolff, the British Commissioner, has applied to his Government for advice as to the course he shall follow in regard to Moukhtar's proposal.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Gen. Sir Charles Warren has started for Suakin to assume the office of Governor of Eastern Soudan.

THE BALKANS.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR A UNION BETWEEN BULGARIA AND EASTERN ROUMELIA.

SOPHIA, Jan. 22.—M. Tzanow, the Bulgarian Foreign Minister, has left here for Constantinople to negotiate with the Porte for the union of Bulgaria and Eastern Roumelia. The Porte allowed Gadban Effendi, the Turkish Commissioner, to accompany M. Tzanow.

DANVILLE, N. Y., Jan. 22.—Miss Clara Barton, President of the American Association of the Red Cross, has received $200 from the President of the St. Louis branch of the association, which she has forwarded to Gustave Moynier, President of the International Red Cross Society, to be expended for the relief of the sick and wounded of the Balkan armies.

CABLE NOTES.

A Berlin correspondent says that a proposition has been made that the Samoan group be divided between the United States, Germany, and England, and is greatly favored in commercial circles.

Mr. Hinrichsen, the American citizen who was recently ordered by the German Government to leave Gjennes, Prussia, has received another notice from the Government ordering him to quit the country before Feb. 1.

Eight hundred unemployed workmen gathered in front of the Vienna Town-Hall today and demanded work. On being refused work they proceeded to the police station and repeated their demand. They were dispersed by force, and the leaders were arrested.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

WEST SIDE PROPERTY-OWNERS PROTEST AGAINST THE PROPOSED JEFFERSON STREET IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENT—OTHER ITEMS.

A meeting of property-owners was held at the Bohemian Turner Hall, No. 75 West Taylor street, last night to protest against the assessment put on the property-owners for the widening of Jefferson street from Harrison to Twelfth street. There was a large attendance. The Chairman and several others addressed the meeting, and the opinion was that the assessment, which ran from $30 to $50 per foot, was much too high, and that $10 per foot was sufficient. They were in favor of the street being widened, provided the assessment was fair. They claimed that the West Division Street Railway, instead of being assessed for $12,000, should at least have been assessed for $30,000, and that the city's share should be nearer $60,000 than $6,000, the figures it is placed at. A committee of fifteen was appointed to wait on the Council Monday night and present the views of the meeting, and urge on the Council to annul the assessment. In case this is not done the property-owners intend to show fight, and negotiations have been commenced with certain lawyers to file objections and contest the assessment in the courts. A subscription list was opened to provide the necessary funds, and was largely signed. A protest which is to be presented Monday night has also been signed by owners representing 30,000 feet of frontage on Jefferson street.

Some time ago the Bricklayers' and Stonemasons' Union notified the Master Masons' and Builders' Association that after May 1 they would work only eight hours a day at the usual rates—40 cents an hour. At the meeting of the union last night a reply was received from the master masons. It is somewhat noncommittal, and says: "The right of any man or combination of men to determine how many hours he or they will work or at what compensation is undisputed. Upon the wisdom and timeliness of this effort to reduce the productive capacity of the labor of this country by one-fifth different opinions may be held. Whether such efforts will be successful we know not, but feel that after twenty years of agitation on this subject practical trial and demonstration alone remain." The document was accepted and filed without comment. The sum of $500 was voted to the strikers in Maxwell Brothers' box-factory. The union will give an eight-hour ball Feb. 4.

Walden Ludlum, a farmer from La Salle, Ill., was brought to Chicago last evening by the Deputy Marshal and lodged in jail. He is charged with having sent obscene letters through the mails to Mr. and Mrs. James Mackintosh at Morral, O. Ludlum will have a hearing before Commissioner Hoyne today.

Miss Nellie Green is a young woman who is a friend of Miss Grace Carlton, an actress who boards at the Commercial Hotel. Miss Nellie has been stopping with Miss Carlton until yesterday morning, when she suddenly disappeared. She was arrested in the evening at the Hotel Svea by Officers Jones and Baer and locked up at Chicago Avenue Station on a charge of stealing $13 and some clothing from Miss Carlton.

James F. McGregor, who has been the collecting agent for John Gatly & Co., No. 171 East Randolph street, book dealers, was arrested yesterday at his room, No. 125 Adams street, charged with the embezzlement of $60.

The Young Democracy of the Fourteenth Ward met in regular session last evening at Thalia Hall, No. 636 Milwaukee avenue. The meeting was largely attended, each precinct in the ward being represented by working members of the party. The constitution was amended and election of officers postponed.

DISGRUNTLED GREENBACKERS.

THEY MEET IN DES MOINES AND PROCEED TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO MEMORIALS.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—There was a secret conference of the remnants of the Iowa Greenback party here today. They discussed the pitiable estate to which they had come and denounced sob rosa Weaver and other bosses who had sold them out to the Democratic party. They adopted a long memorial to Congress and to the Iowa Legislature. In their address to Congress they oppose the construction of further canals, but favor a National double-track steel railroad. They also ask for a Government postal telegraph and condemn the financial policy of the Administration and thank Senator Beck for his words for silver. In the memorial to the Legislature they ask for a law taxing mortgages, one reducing passenger rates one cent per mile on all roads in the State, and also for a reduction in legal interest from 10 to 7 per cent, and that the Railroad Commission be abolished and pooling discriminations be prohibited.

CINCINNATI'S SUNDAY-CLOSING MOVEMENT.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 22.—The Law and Order League, having for some time been trying to close theatres Sunday by occasional arrests of actors, and having succeeded imperfectly in their prosecutions, asked the managers to mutually agree to close Sunday. This failed. Now a proposition by a theatre manager has been agreed to by all the managers, except one, to close their theatres whenever the Law and Order League shall succeed in closing the Sunday concert-saloons. They are willing to assist in closing the saloons. It is probable that a strong movement will be made to close the concert saloons.

IN A PIT OF DEATH.

Thirty-Nine Miners Burned and Buried by the Explosion at Newburg.

Heartrending Incidents Witnessed at the Scene of the Disaster.

One Man Killed and Others Badly Injured by a Locomotive Explosion.

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 22.—Newburg, W. Va., stands in the shadow of a great grief, and her sorrow has invaded homes for fifty miles along the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, for many little communities are represented at the bottom of the pit. The following is a corrected list of the men in the mines—a ghastly total of thirty-nine:

Morgan Freeman, married, Ironton; Henry Lambert, married, Newburg; Andrew Scott, single, Scotch Hill; Jacob Weaver, married, Independence; Arthur Ogden, married, Newburg; E. Fortney, single, Clarksburg; Ross Kelly, married, Newburg; William Lamire, married, Independence; Frank Lamire, single, Independence; M. Keany, single, Newburg; Nicholas Birth, boy, Newburg; Albert McWilliams, married, Newburg; John Hornby, single, Newburg; Daniel Miller, married, Newburg; Bird Miller, single, Newburg; Isaiah Timmons, married, Newburg; William Timmons, boy, Newburg; Charles Tunley, married, Newburg; Peter Howley, single, Newburg; Michael Clark, single, Newburg; Newton Moore, married, Newburg; William Stansberry, married, Independence; Alvey Weaver, married, Independence; James McGowan, single, Newburg; John Carroll, married, Newburg; Wilbur Spencer, single, Newburg; Joseph Johnston, married, Newburg; Henry Guy, single, Newburg; Thomas Guy, single, Newburg; R. Birtly, married, Newburg; John Byers, married, Newburg; Clinton Albright, married, Newburg; John Conaway, single, Newburg; John Edwards, single, Newburg; Adolph Hine, married, Newburg; John Lambert, married, Newburg; George Riggins, married, Scotch Hill; F. Moon, single, Scotch Hill.

The east-bound train brought a great number from Clarksburg, Fairmont, Grafton, and intermediate points, and sympathizing friends came from as far east as Piedmont. They swelled the hopeless, helpless crowd that hung about the pit's mouth. Men, women and children were gathered there, pale, trembling, weeping, staring at the shaft almost dumb with consternation. Rescuers brought no tidings for the anxious crowd, but soon the rumor spread that the searching party had found at the bottom of the shaft Daniel Miller, the eager, and son, 15 years old; a driver, young Timmons; a trapper; and young Clark, a driver. One of the party was quoted as saying that they found Kinney's mule blown sixty feet out of the stable with his halter on. The searchers themselves would say nothing. It was thought better to keep the dreadful secrets that the lamps revealed below until a wider search brought more definit knowledge. There could be no certainty as to the identity of the blackened remains. The bucket went down and up, the men repairing the breaks in the air shaft as they found them, the crowd growing larger and larger and pressing harder on the ropes stretched about the shaft. So eager were the people to get even a look down that terrible hole a temporary fence of boards was hurriedly put up to make an inclosure in which the work might go on without interference. As soon as the shaft was sufficiently repaired the cage was put on to take down a larger working force in the hope of bringing up some bodies and beginning the inquest. Coroner Jones of Terra Alta summoned a jury to be present at the works at 5 o'clock. But the progress was slower than the Coroner expected and the inquest was postponed for an hour. It then became apparent that there was little probability of any bodies being brought up tonight and the inquest was adjourned until 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Work in the mine will be continued through the night by relief parties composed in part of men who have fathers and brothers below. At this hour the crowd still stands around discussing the chances of life and death. Crowds of people from along the railroad and farms for miles back in the country are here eager to do something and nothing for them to do.

CAPITAL AND LABOR.

How the Lancaster, Mass., Bank Was Shamelesly Robbed by Those Controlling It.

The Cigarmakers' Strike in New York and Troubles of the Coke-Drawers.

National Cutters' Association and That of the Ohio Miners—Various Business Embarrassments.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Examiner Gatchell says the Lancaster Bank is the worst "skinned" institution he has ever had anything to do with. He and the receiver both say that it is barely possible that the stockholders may escape an assessment. It will depend upon the amount realized from doubtful assets. The original circulation of the bank was $90,000, secured by $100,000 bonds in the United States Treasury. An examination of the October statement shows that previous to that time the circulation had been reduced to $37,000, secured by $30,000 bonds. By this means McNeil secured $7,000 of the bonds, the difference between the 10 per cent margin on $10,000 and $30,000 deposited with the United States Treasurer, and a premium of about 3 per cent on all the bonds surrendered, amounting to about $2,000, which has been swallowed up with the rest. Most of the notes to the bank have been rediscounted, and in one case a mortgage-note has been sold three or four times over; the various sales being effected by keeping the note at the bank as a convenience in collecting the interest. The receiver has a long and interesting tob on his hands.

DEVIL'S LAKE, Dak., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The case of O. B. Corsett, cashier of the collapsed bank of Devil's Lake, charged with receiving deposits after banking hours, was dismissed tonight. Justice Wishart decided that there was not sufficient evidence to sustain the charges. The depositors are still at a loss to know who got away with their money.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—A special from Lake City, Minn., states that C. F. Young, President of the First National Bank of that place, has prepared a statement to the effect that Cashier L. S. Van Vliet must shoulder the responsibility of the failure for allowing Willis Baxer of Minneapolis to overdraw his account largely against the express wishes of the directors. A new organization will be perfected at once.

THE STRIKING COKE-DRAWERS.

MOUNT PLEASANT, Pa., Jan. 22.—No disturbance was reported this morning at any point in the coke regions. A large mass-meeting of miners, native, Hungarian, and colored, was held here for the purpose of organizing the Americans until the Hungarians, who promise to stand by the Americans until the latter are satisfied. They are all in favor of staying out until the rate which prevailed in 1884 is restored. Ninety per cent of the miners in the region are now idle, and it is estimated the strike has already cost over $50,000.

While the mass-meeting of strikers was in progress this afternoon the police car came up and stopped a short distance away. The miners left the meeting and surrounded the car, threatening to mob the officers. For a time affairs looked squally, but through the prompt action of the Rev. Father Lambing, a Catholic priest, who addressed the strikers, counseling moderation, a serious riot was averted and the miners dispersed. Since yesterday's convention the strike has assumed enormous proportions, and may be said to be the greatest struggle between capital and labor ever known in the coke regions, from the number of men engaged in the strike, the extent of territory covered, and the value of the interests at stake. Over 6,000 men are now out and nearly all the works in the Connellsville district are idle. Tomorrow is the general pay-day and trouble is anticipated.

The strikers of all races held a mass-meeting tonight and the Hungarians and Americans fraternized and organized for future work. Similar action has been taken throughout the whole region.

THE NATIONAL CUTTERS' ASSOCIATION.

DAYTON, O., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The National Custom Cutters' Association has concluded its annual session in this city. The important business transacted was the establishment of a trade organ, which will represent the interests of the association. Committees were appointed to take charge of the publication. The first number is to appear in July. In the matter of the prize offer the committee made its final report this afternoon, stating that they would wait until their organ is fairly established before they would proceed further. The degree committee reported that it was impossible to get into working order at this meeting, but all would be in order for degree work by the July meeting to be held in Put-in-Bay.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year: President, G. W. Fisher; Vice-Presidents, J. K. Knight, J. I. Freeberg, Martin Henry, W. H. Austin; Recording Secretary, D. B. Shoies; Financial Secretary, W. H. Sharr; Corresponding Secretary, A. Harming; Treasurer, G. S. Evans; Trustees, J. W. Elliott, J. I. Freeberg, J. J. Bunting; Foreman First Degree, J. H. Foose; Assistant Foreman First Degree, J. W. Elliott.

THE NEW YORK CIGARMAKERS' STRIKE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The cigarmakers' strike is unchanged from yesterday except in one shop. The committee appointed to wait on John W. Love reported today that they had come to an agreement by which his employés are to return to their benches. Mr. Love agreed to pay his men the old rate of wages. It was decided by the locked-out men to send another committee to confer with the manufacturers upon the situation.

The Cuban cigarmakers employed by Oltenburg & Co. and by Jacoby & Co. today went out on strike. The strikers tonight issued an answer to the challenge of the bosses to arbitrate. They say they will submit to arbitration providing the old rates prevail pending the arbitration. The proposition of the manufacturers was that the new scale prevail pending the result of the arbitration. Work will be resumed in Love's factory Monday. It was stated tonight that Kaufman Bros. & Bonda have given up, and that they would set their men at work Monday next.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers have decided to contribute 75 cents per capita monthly to the support of the men during the strike.

THE OHIO STATE MINERS' ASSOCIATION.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—At the meeting of the State Miners' Association today the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this convention accept and adopt the recommendation of the Inter-State Miners' Union adopted at its Pittsburg meeting for the scale of prices for Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Illinois, and Iowa, and that, so far as Ohio prices are concerned, the minimum rate for mining be 60 cents for screened coal in the Hocking Valley and throughout the State.

Adjourned sine die.

CARPET-WEAVERS TO GO OUT.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 22.—At a meeting tonight of the hand-loom ingrain carpet-weavers employed at the various carpet-mills of the city it was agreed to go out on strike at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning unless their demand for an increase in pay was granted. The strike will affect 15,000 hands and 120 establishments.

VARIOUS BUSINESS TROUBLES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The firm of Nichols Brothers & Co., fur dealers and manufacturers, No. 550 Broadway, made an assignment today for the benefit of creditors to William P. Dixon with preferences amounting to $51,800. Among the preferred creditors are Mrs. Emily S. Nichols for $13,500, the National Citizens' Bank $12,800, and Martin Bates Jr. & Co., $14,800.

Schedules in the assignment of Ezra D. Fogg and Meiser P. Dunbar show liabilities of $94,488 and actual assets of $77,940.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 22.—The extensive dry-goods firm of J. W. Bailey closed its doors today for the second time in two years. The liabilities are $54,791, and the assets are about $40,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 22.—Henry S. Reinstein & Co., cloth importers, have failed. Their liabilities are $14,000, and their actual assets about $5,300. Among their principal creditors are Stein & Co. of New York, $4,300, and Miller, Schramm & Co. of New York, $3,200.

SHELBYVILLE, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Peter Francisco, general merchant at Findlay, this county, made an assignment yesterday to Martin V. Quigley. Liabilities unknown.

OSHKOSH, Wis., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Wilson Bros. of Chicago and G. H. Clark & Co. of New York today assumed the indebtedness of Briggs & Hall, the gents' furnishers, whose store was taken possession of by the Sheriff yesterday, and will dispose of the entire stock, estimated at $8,000.

GALVESTON, Tex., Jan. 22.—A special from Marshall, Tex., says: C. J. Fry was yesterday appointed receiver of the Marshall Car-Wheel Company. The general depression in business and the withdrawal of a wheel contract by the Missouri Pacific Railway Company rendered the step necessary. It is thought that the company will reorganize and shortly resume.

IN CHICAGO.

George M. Baker and the Baker Bag Company, Nos. 209 and 211 East Kinzie street, yesterday entered a confession of judgment in the Superior Court in favor of the Union Trust Company for $5,088.

THURSDAY'S TRAGEDY.

THE CORONER'S INQUEST ON THE BODIES OF CLOWES AND HIS MISTRESS—A THEORY ENTERTAINED BY CLOWES' FRIENDS.

The tragedy in a Clark street resort yesterday morning, when Charles A. Clowes, a wealthy distiller, terminated a debauch by killing his mistress and then himself, was the sensation of the day. Both were well known, though in widely different spheres of the social world. The body of the murderer and suicide was removed before daylight from the morgue to his late home, No. 536 West Adams street, and at 11 o'clock the Coroner summoned a jury to hold an inquest over the remains. The first witness was Mrs. Clowes. As she could give no information concerning the affair she was detained but a few moments. She had met Clowes at a hotel in New York, nursed him through a siege of sickness, and then married him.

The next witness was Allie Meredith. She occupied the room adjoining the one where the shooting took place. About five minutes before the first shot was fired she heard Clowes say he wanted some wine. The Grey woman said he must not drink any more. Then a shot was fired. Five minutes later she heard Clowes pounding on the door and calling for the servants to bring the key. She went out into the hall, and about ten minutes after the first shot heard the report of a second. This testimony gave rise to a belief that the woman killed herself, and that Clowes did not kill himself until he realized the horrible situation he had placed himself in.

Other testimony in regard to the finding of the couple was in accordance with the accounts of the affair published yesterday. The jury found that the deceased came to his death from a shot fired from a revolver in his own hands.

Stretched on a marble slab at the morgue were the lifeless form of Blanche Grey. A blackened spot on the breast told the jury how she had died. The inquest was brief.

Grace Monroe testified that she was a friend of the murdered woman, whose real name was Blanche Huntington, and who was about 22 years old. No other testimony was taken, the jury finding that the girl had been killed by Clowes.

Miss Lillie Kelsey, whom Clowes married March 3, 1885, in New York, was the daughter of a sister of Mrs. R. S. Perrine, at whose residence, No. 536 Adams street, she and her husband had lived after her marriage. A Tribune reporter called upon Mr. and Mrs. Perrine after they had returned last evening from Hyde Park, whither they had gone with the remains of the deceased.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Perrine had naught but kind words to say about the unfortunate suicide. They said that Clowes had married their niece in New York, but before he did so he told them all about his liaison with Blanche Grey, and said that if they came back to Chicago the woman might possibly annoy them. Unless she was willing to marry him after knowing all these facts he did not want her to do so. She consented, and had never regretted it. He had been the kindest and most indulgent of husbands. He seldom came home without bringing her some new trifle that he thought might please her fancy. The only cloud was the annoyance they received from the Grey woman. That was incessant. If they happened to be out upon the street walking they were always subject to insult from her if she happened to meet them. Frequently messenger boys would come to the house after midnight bringing notes from her. She would also send notes and go in person to his office. He invariably turned these notes over to his wife and would tell her of the visits. He became terribly worried over her persistent pestering and consulted Mr. Perrine as to what he had better do under the circumstances. Mr. Perrine invariably told him to keep away from her and to refuse to hold any communication with her. At one time Clowes had told of a visit to her for the purpose of trying to induce her to leave him alone. Finally he had arranged to go to Florida to remain during the winter. They were to have started next Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Perrine entertain a theory that the tragedy was a double suicide. Clowes was too tender-hearted, they thought, to kill any one. They believe that he went out to see the woman for the last time to demand that she should take down and destroy his photographs and portraits which she had displayed upon the walls of her room; that he told her he was going away to spend the winter and would never see her again; that in a fit of jealous insanity she had snatched up the revolver which was lying upon the table and shot herself; Clowes, seeing her dead and realizing that he would be accused of her murder, and shrinking from the almost certainty of his inability to prove his innocence, had in a fit of desperation killed himself. This theory they think is sustained by the fact that she was in the habit of locking the door and hiding the key when he entered her room, and his cry "I want to get out of here" showed that he had tried to get out and couldn't.

Mayor Harrison received a telegram last evening from the Mayor of Hebron, Ind., requesting him to hold Clowes' remains until his arrival. A policeman was sent to Mr. Perrine's residence with a copy of the message. While Mr. Perrine was still wondering who the Mayor could be that he should be interested in Clowes' remains a hansom drove up to the door. Two men alighted and entered the house. One of them was very much agitated and sobbing, and he was soon as he entered the parlor, "Where is Charley?" He was Mr. C. T. Clowes, an uncle of the deceased. He had not seen his nephew during the last eighteen years, although he had reared him. It was stated yesterday that Mr. Clowes' father is still alive and not dead as currently reported.

Clowes' remains, which were taken to the residence of his mother, Mrs. Loomis, at Fifty-ninth and Jefferson streets, will be removed to Buchanan, Mich., for interment.

THE SNAKE HAD TAKEN A JACK-POT.

Pittsburg Dispatch: John Shanahan, a workman employed on the Carson street main, is responsible for the following story. Said Mr. Shanahan: "I was digging down in the main near Temperanceville when I pulled out what I took to be a clump of roots. I shoveled the stuff up by the side of the coal fire we have to thaw out the surface, and in a little while I saw the roots a-wiggling around like fish-worms. I got up out of the trench and examined the roots and found that they were not roots, but snakes. Yes, sir, there were five of them—four little ones and one big gray fellow at least two feet long when he got stretched out. Along about the middle of the snake was a big bunch—a place that kind o' bulged out. That struck me as rather queer, an' I cut him in two with my shovel. Well, sir, what do you suppose I found? Well, there were three white poker checks and two blue ones. That's a fact, sir. I know what a poker check is, and the reptile had five of 'em in him, an' I can show 'em to you yet."

BOSTON'S BROWNING CRAZE.

Letter to Springfield (Mass.) *Republican*: Not only is the new Browning society growing rapidly, but small clubs are forming, and Browning is now a favorit topic for parlor-club discussion. It looks as if there is to be quite a Browning craze here; that ultra devotion at the shrine of Browning is to be the "fad"—to borrow an expressive London term—of the season. Like other crazes here, especially literary ones, it attacks social triflers, those who feel that they must be in the swim, must show a culture if they have it not, as well as earnest, serious students, and would-be true disciples of the poet. Those who were Browningites before Browningism became the fashion, shake their heads at the new-born interest, and are slow to recognize it as real or lasting. Yet it is true that, while there is no doubt much that is frivolous and superficial about the present Browning worship, the honest study of the poet has greatly increased here, and that his sincere and appreciative devotees have multiplied in recent years.

CURING FROSTBITES.

Dr. Lapatin, in the "Proceedings of the Caucasian Medical Society," advises that fingers and toes which have been slightly frostbitten, and which subsequently suffer from burning, itching, and pricking sensations, should be painted, at first once and afterwards twice a day, with a mixture of diluted nitric acid and peppermint water in equal proportions. After this application has been made for three or four days the skin becomes darkened and the epidermis is shed, healthy skin appearing under it. The cure is effected in from ten to fourteen days. The author has found this plan very effectual among soldiers who were unable to wear their boots in consequence of having had frozen feet. They were, in this way, soon rendered capable of returning to duty.

STATE LEGISLATURES.

Senator Payne Writes that He Courts the Very Fullest Investigation Possible.

The Democrats of the Ohio Senate Running Things with a High Hand.

Insurance Matters at Hartford—No Canadian Fishery Treaty Wanted by Massachusetts Men.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—Senator Payne tonight mailed a letter to the Chairman of the recently-appointed investigating committee of the Lower House of the Ohio Legislature, of which the following is a copy:

UNITED STATES SENATE, WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22, 1886.—*The Hon. Thomas A. Cowgill, Chairman, Columbus, O.*—SIR: As one branch of the General Assembly has appointed a special committee, of which you are the Chairman, to investigate the conduct of the Democratic caucus which, in January, 1884, nominated a candidate for United States Senator, and, as the matter is thus raised to the plane of respectability and placed in charge of intelligent and honorable gentlemen, I propose to give it appropriate attention. For myself, I invite the most thorough and rigid scrutiny. My private correspondence and books of accounts will be cheerfully submitted to your inspection if you desire it. I only insist, in case any testimony is given which in the slightest degree inculpates me, I may be afforded an opportunity of appearing before the committee. I am very respectfully, your obedient servant, H. B. PAYNE.

RUNNING THINGS WITH A HIGH HAND.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The State of Ohio, always in the van as far as politics is concerned, now has two Senates, one Republican and the other Democratic. The Republican body will meet tomorrow as usual, but the Democratic Senate has adjourned till next Monday. The line of demarcation between revolutionary methods and the policy so far pursued by the Democrats of the Senate, to stave off the investigation of the Cincinnati election cases, was further strained today in the proceedings. Legislation is at a standstill, and the spectacle of a partisan majority breaking up a deliberative body for purely political purposes is presented to the country. It is difficult to tell where the matter will end. The excitement has become intense, the lines are tightly drawn, neither side will yield an inch, and the final outcome no man can predict. Calmer counsels may prevail, but in the present wrought-up feeling no words of compromise are bandied on either side.

When the Senate convened at 10 o'clock this morning the Senate Chamber was crowded with spectators. The crowd increased through the day, and there was probably more excitement and a greater crowd of interested lookers-on than there has been before in the Senate since 1872, when the Democratic Senators made nearly as asinine an exhibition as they did today. After prayer President Kennedy ordered that the journal of the two previous days be read. It will be remembered that the Democrats adjourned the Senate Thursday morning before the journal was read to throw it on the table.

Mr. Crites raised the point of order that it was only in order to read the journal of the preceding day under Rule 24.

President Kennedy ruled the point not well taken and Mr. Cable appealed from this decision.

The object of this movement on the part of the Democrats was to prevent the Pavey resolutions providing for the Senate in open session taking up consideration of the Hamilton County contests from being taken from the table, where they claimed adjournment Thursday without reading the journal took them. President Kennedy stated that his ruling was that the reading of the journal was in order; that while the proceedings may have gone to the table the journal did not. After discussion on the subject by Messrs. Eggers, Rannells, Pavey, Lawrence, and O'Neil, the roll was called, resulting in a vote of 17 against sustaining the chair and 17 in favor of sustaining. The twenty Democrats who voted against sustaining the President remained in the chamber throughout the day, their presence in the chamber showing on the journal by the record of this vote, as well as by the call of the Senate ordered on motion of Mr. Cable later in the day.

President Kennedy then arose to a question of privilege and made an able address, showing the unconstitutionality and illegality of the new rules of the Senate adopted to abridge his powers, citing authorities, and closing as follows:

I shall therefore hold that the attempt of the Senate for any purpose to abridge or to control the powers or duties of the presiding officer of this body, or to hand over his duties to the charge, keeping, or custody of any other officer of this body, is clearly a violation of the Constitution and is a nullity, and I shall decline to surrender any of these powers, but shall continue to exercise them, one of these duties being to direct the call of the Senate and to announce the result of the vote of the assembly upon all questions, and another being to decide all questions of order which arise, and to keep and maintain order within this assembly and to perform the duties usually performed by presiding officers of said assemblies at the time of the adoption of our present Constitution. I trust I may have the assistance of the Senators in so doing.

This was received with applause from the immense crowd which filled the hall.

Mr. Cable moved that the statement of the Lieutenant-Governor be referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Lieut.-Gov. Kennedy said that he hoped such reference would be made, and it was.

Senator Van Cleaf, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted a report to the effect that in the four Hamilton County Senatorial cases it was necessary that the committee have additional and more specific authority, followed by a resolution that the committee be authorized and empowered to send for persons and papers, books and records, and to investigate thoroughly and speedily the election for Senators in said First Senatorial District the 13th day of October, 1885, and to employ a stenographer.

Mr. Coulter, Republican, presented a minority report as follows:

The undersigned, the minority of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, beg leave to present to the Senate, as a substitute for the resolution and application reported by the majority of the committee, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Privileges and Elections be now relieved from further consideration of the papers in the contest of the right to seats in this body of Moses F. Wilson, Robert Kuehnert, J. C. Hopple, and John Brashears, and all matters relating to such contest; that said Committee on Privileges and Elections be directed to return to the files of the Senate the notice of contest, testimony, and all papers relating thereto heretofore referred to them, and that the Senate do now proceed to the trial of such contest in open session, under such rules and regulations with respect to the introduction of further testimony by either side as may be hereafter prescribed by the Senate sitting in such contest; that such trial shall proceed now and each day hereafter at 10 o'clock a. m., with such periods of adjournment as may be found from time to time convenient, until the final termination thereof.

Mr. Van Cleaf said that the substitute ought to be referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections, which was greeted with laughter.

Mr. Ford demanded the yeas and nays on the substitution of the minority for the majority report.

Mr. Rannells raised the point of order that, as the sitting Senators from Hamilton County were directly interested in the result of this vote, they had no right to vote on the question.

President Kennedy ruled that as this was a preliminary to the hearing of the contest for their seats the members from Hamilton County were not entitled to vote on it. He therefore directed the Clerk not to call their names in calling the roll.

Mr. Welch took an appeal from this decision.

Mr. Ford made the point of order that as this also directly affected the cases of sitting Senators from Hamilton County they were not entitled to vote on the appeal.

President Kennedy held this point well taken, and ordered that the names of the four Senators from Hamilton County be not called on the appeal.

Mr. Eggers made a short speech, and Mr. O'Neil, pursuing the dilatory tactics which the Democrats had mapped out for the occasion, moved to adjourn.

Mr. Dow raised the point of order that as this would delay the consideration of the cases of the Hamilton County Senators they were not entitled to vote on the motion to adjourn.

President Kennedy also found this point well taken, and ordered that the names of the Senators from Hamilton County should not be called on the motion to adjourn.

At this Mr. Brashears, one of the sitting Senators from Hamilton County, became excited, and advancing far in front of his seat began talking in a loud manner, and asked what rights he and his confrères had there, any way. After his violent and tempestuous outbreak President Kennedy began to make a statement regarding his decision that the Senators from Hamilton County could not vote. He was interrupted by Mr. Kuehnert, another sitting Senator from Hamilton, who insolently demanded that President Kennedy retire from the chair and let President pro tem. O'Neill occupy it.

Lieut.-Gov. Kennedy then gave at length his reasons for not allowing the Hamilton County Senators to vote, quoting Cushing's and Jefferson's manuals, Cooley on "Constitutional Limitations," and sections of the Constitution of Ohio. A vote was taken on Welch's appeal, and the Democrats refused to vote. The seventeen Republicans voted to sustain the Chair, and the Lieutenant-Governor announced it as agreed to. The motion to adjourn was lost, the seventeen Republicans voting against it and the Democrats sitting in their seats and not voting.

Mr. Ford then demanded the previous question on the motion to substitute the minority for the majority report, but several members were allowed to speak before the previous question was put, among them being Mr. Eltzroth, who asked if the adoption of the minority report would allow full investigations of the Hamilton County cases. All the Republicans answered "Yes" at once.

Mr. Coulter spoke in support of a full, fair, and free investigation. After various dilatory movements on the part of the Democrats the previous question was sustained, the majority report substituted, and then adopted in three votes, each seventeen to none, the Democrats remaining in their seats, but not voting. On motion of Mr. Pringle, President Kennedy directed the clerk to note on the journal the fact that all the members of the Senate were present. A motion to reconsider the vote on the minority report was voted down. The Senate having decided to take the consideration of the Hamilton County frauds out of the hands of the smothering committee and proceed with it, the Democrats grew sulky and acted like a lot of school-boys kept in the house by rain. They demanded a call of the Senate, and got it. It showed all of the members present, which dispensed with the possibility of any further proceedings under the call. Then they haggled and pouted around for a few minutes sulky and mad. Mr. Conrad made a motion to adjourn, on which the yeas and nays were not called. The motion was carried by a viva voce vote and the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

After President Kennedy left the chair and the Republican members had left their seats, the Senate having adjourned, the Democrats organized a rump Senate. Allen O. Myers urged the Hon. John O'Neil into the chair, and he called for the yeas and nays to be taken on the motion to adjourn, which had already been adopted. The twenty Democrats gravely voted against adjournment, to the amusement of the crowd which had seen the Senate adjourn. The rump Senate then with great solemnity adjourned until 4 o'clock Monday afternoon. The Republicans will meet at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. If the Democratic Senators do not attend they will carry out the pouting program they have already inaugurated, because they are mad and desperate that fraud at last is to be investigated.

INSURANCE IN CONNECTICUT.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—An effort made in the Connecticut Legislature a year ago to induce Connecticut to adopt the New Hampshire form of valued policy law in fire insurance was defeated, but was renewed by the same member in the Legislature today. He introduced seven bills, which cover all the essential features of the New Hampshire law excepting that which provides that suits against non-resident companies shall be tried in the State courts alone. The bills provide that insurance companies must pay the full amount of the policies in cases of total loss unless it can be shown that there was fraudulent overvaluation of the property. A company is prohibited by another bill from canceling a policy without thirty days' notice, and must return to the insured the proportion of the premium for the unexpired term of the policy, and it is provided that the conditions of the policy shall be printed thereon in large type.

A bill of a remarkable character in these days was introduced by a country member providing that no person shall be held to be an incompetent witness because of his religious belief.

WANT NO CANADIAN FISHING TREATY.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Resolutions were introduced in the House of Representatives this afternoon requesting Congress to take such official action as will prevent any renewal of the concessions made to the British Government in the fishery articles of the treaty of Washington, and especially to oppose with a united and earnest front the establishment of any international commission for the purpose of renewing diplomatic negotiations in Great Britain having such objects in view.

ZOLA'S FEARFUL MANUSCRIPT.

HOW THE FRENCH REALISTIC AUTHOR TORMENTS THE PRINTERS.

The Vienna *Allgemeine Zeitung* publishes an interesting article by Ernst Zeigler, who evidently writes with personal knowledge, on Zola as a literary-worker. The article might, perhaps, be well named "Zola as a Printer's Tormentor."

"Zola writes everything himself; he never has a secretary for his extensive correspondence. He even seals his wrappers and addresses them when he sends his friends brochures or his translators material. He also writes his literary manuscript himself. Out of it the printers compose what are called 'placards'—large pages with four gigantic columns of text. These are sent to the autnor carefully revised and free from errors, and then Zola begins to correct. He fills the wide margin all round with hundreds of marks and letters; ink-lines cut through the text, thin threads run crossways and diagonally, entwining like a serpent's scribbling. Nothing is left in open space; scarcely a line is exempted from the hieroglyphics of the master. Here a note of interrogation must make room for one of exclamation; here a semicolon is changed into a full point; a comma before or after the et effectively divides a phrase; participles are replaced by adjectives; substantives take the place of pronouns; redundant adverbs must also disappear; the 'past definit' is substituted for the 'imperfect'; more descriptive words supply the place of tame ones; for an expression repeated in five or six pages a synonym is introduced; whole phrases are remodeled, sentences are condensed into two or three words, and even half-columns are ruthlessly consigned to the waste-paper basket. Then the work is done. It must be a bitter task to break up the print again, but there is no help for it. The extra fees charged elsewhere on authors for corrections are not known; nobody complains; author and publisher rival each other in a common endeavor after perfection. After such a corrected text the Paris journal prints, and the translations are done in exactly the same way.

"In the newspaper print the publisher sees his work a step nearer the book form. But the process of alteration is still unfinished, and Zola is not the man to watch this process with his hands in his pockets. He now perceives in his work a thousand things which escaped him before, and he begins anew to correct more industriously and more relentlessly than before. He makes ravages on the text, refinms and touching up the proofs, reconstructing whole pages, and sprinkling column after column with new improvements. 'The feuilleton is for me only a first draught,' he once wrote to me. At last comes the day on which the publisher, Charpentier, receives the last bon-à-tirer; the new work is ready; Zola will never more withdraw anything from it, and he can now rest."

As a matter of fact Zola does not rest, for we are told that he sits down at once to sketch a new work directly the one last revised has left his hands.

"It is seldom that Zola does not receive the proceeds of a new work before the original manuscript leaves his hands." The novel is, however, appearing regularly all the while. "'Germinal' began in the papers Nov. 25 of 1884, and Zola only finished his work in the following January. 'L'Œuvre' began Dec. 22, and Zola writes today that he fears he will not be able to put the word 'End' after the last chapter before the middle of February. One may picture to himself the circumstances under which such a work is produced. Day after day the Paris feuilleton devours from three to 400 lines. The printer sends new 'placards' to Zola's house, waits for the corrections; the translators need material; the publisher is importunate, for he must have the long-detained bons-à-tirer, since on the day on which the last feuilleton appears the book must be in the market. So, harassed and tormented, Zola corrects again, and at the same time writes the last quarter of his romance. At this time he neglects all business affairs, forgets who has sent him money, and why, while heaps of unanswered correspondence strew his table. In the few letters which he absolutely must write a phrase always occurs which in its stereotype repetition admirably expresses the condition of the author's mind—namely: the cry of anguish, 'Je suis si bousculé.'"

HE WAS A REAL ZULU.

London Times: A butcher named Hubbard is lying seriously ill at Leicester Infirmary through injuries sustained in an exciting affray with a Zulu. The Zulu was performing in a show at the fair and was going through mimic warfare, when Hubbard, being suspicious that the man was painted, wetted his finger and touched the Zulu on the back. The Zulu leaped with a shout at Hubbard and plunged his assegai in Hubbard's face, inflicting a serious wound which it is feared will entail the loss of an eye. The Zulu was secured and Hubbard taken to the infirmary.

SPORTING AFFAIRS.

All the Arrangements for the Schaefer-Vignaux Match at New York Completed.

The Former Making Brilliant Averages in Practice—The Frenchman Not Feeling Well.

Burke's Challenge to the World, Barring Sullivan—The Latter's Match with Ryan Not Off.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The preparations for the fourteen-inch balk-line billiard match between Jacob Schaefer and Maurice Vignaux, which commences Tuesday evening next, are all but complete. A meeting of those interested to complete the final arrangements was held this afternoon. Among those present were Mr. Roobe of St. Louis, Mr. Dowling of Chicago, Messrs. Vignaux, Schaefer, John O'Connor, Dudley Kavanagh, Heiser, and Gus Newland. All arrangements with the exception of the selection of a referee were completed. The referee will probably be chosen tomorrow.

During the early part of the week Vignaux seemed entirely out of trim, and for two or three days did not play up to his usual standard. He suffered from a severe cold, and to make matters worse he broke the screw of his favorit cue. Yesterday he turned to Heiser, with whom he had been practicing, and remarked that Mme. Vignaux herself could do better than he had been doing. Today, after his cues had been adjusted, he appeared himself again, and in the presence of a large audience played wonderful billiards.

Schaefer, who has been playing very steady all the week, in a practice game today with a well-known amateur made runs of 112 and 167 and averaged nearly 40.

BILLIARDS—THE SHORT-STOPS—SLOSSON'S OFFER.

As the short-stop tournament progresses the games have seemed to increase in merit and execution. Last night's game, the eighth of the series, which took place at Slosson's between Gallagher and Mathews, was productive of some very pretty play, and the "printer" surprised even his most ardent admirers by the fine showing he made. Gallagher opened the game with a run of 32. This he followed with other clever captures and scored his first 100 in the twelfth inning. Mathews having shoved up but half this number at the close of the same inning. His work in the next ten innings was effective, however, and the score at the end of the twenty-second stood 110 to 74 in favor of Gallagher. It was in the twenty-eighth that Mathews found his stroke and began to knock out good billiards. Starting off in this with a run of 42, he followed it with consecutive runs in order named of 12, 39, 3, 27, 2, 28, and 5, winning the game in a style well worthy the applause that was given him. The score stood: Mathews, 300; Gallagher 228. Mathews' average, 6 1-34; highest runs, 42, 39, 27. Gallagher's average, 6 4-34; highest runs, 36, 35, 24. Time of game, two hours and a half.

There will be no game this evening, the next game, the ninth of the tournament, being scheduled for Monday night at Parker & Miller's hall, between Gallagher and Hatley.

Before last night's game commenced John Thatcher, George Slosson, announced that Mr. Slosson would give $800 in prizes for a billiard tournament open to J. R. Heiser of New York, Edward McLaughlin of Philadelphia, William Catton of St. Louis, Eugene Carter of Cleveland, and Messrs. Thomas J. Gallagher, Capt. A. C. Anson, John Mathews, and William Hatley of Chicago under the following conditions: Four handicap prizes—$150 to the first, $250 to the second, and $150 to the third, at fourteen-inch balk-line billiards on a five by ten carrom table, with two and three-eighths inch balls, 400 points up each game, one game to be played each evening—Sundays excepted—at Slosson's, commencing Tuesday, Feb. 23 next. Entrance fee to be 12½ per cent and five or more to enter or no play.

Mr. Slosson requests that applicants for entry submit their names, together with their entrance fee, to him at as early a date as practicable, as it is desired that the lists shall close Feb. 15 next. Little doubt is expressed in local billiard circles but that all or enough of the players mentioned will enter to make an interesting event. The purse offered by Slosson is the largest ever hung up in a billiard tournament where no admission fee has been charged.

JACK BURKE WANTS A TILT AT SMITH, THE ENGLISH PUGILIST.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 23.—Jack Burke, pugilist, who is now in this city, has issued a challenge to fight any man living (bar John L. Sullivan), the fight to be six or eight rounds or to a finish, for $5,000 to $10,000. In his card Burke calls attention to the announcement that Jim Smith, the English prize-fighter, will cross the water after his fight with Greenfield to seek a match with Sullivan, and says there is no need of Smith waiting for Sullivan to make a match, as he (Burke) is ready to meet Smith at any time. Burke says he means business, and will post a forfeit within four hours after Smith's or any other man's acceptance with the sporting editor of the New York *Clipper* or CHICAGO TRIBUNE, the editor selected to appoint the final stakeholder and referee.

THE GREAT SLUGGER'S CHALLENGE.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 22.—John L. Sullivan authorizes the following announcement: He will fight any man in the world within four to six weeks; scientific points to count if fought with gloves, or if not then London prize-ring rules to govern. The match is to be for from $2,500 to $10,000 a side, and to be in the presence of only five persons, to a finish, or as may be preferred. Under no condition is the match to occur in public. This challenge is to remain open only one week. He says he has not received nor accepted a challenge from James Smith.

BASE-BALL.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—[Special.]—A story was current today that the base-ball players David Orr and James Roseman had been released by Mr. Wiman to the Brooklyn Club on payment of $2,000. The secretary of Mr. Wiman's club (the Metropolitan) denies the statement and says that Orr and Roseman will sign contracts with the Metropolitans tomorrow.

SPORTING NOTES.

The entry list for the sixteen stakes of the Washington Park Club, which closed Jan. 15, are about complete, and foot up 827 horses in all. The Lake View handicap has 69 entries; Society Stakes, 52; Leland, 70; Tremont, 55; Quickstep, 95; Great Western handicap, 52; Oakwood handicap, 81; Dearborn, 45; Woodlawn, 23; Hotel Richelieu, 31; Maiden, 63; Columbia, 28; Boulevard, 57; Competition, 17; Washington Park Cup, 26, and the Palmer House Stake, 63. Additions to these may be received today, but as the lists now stand they present an array of flyers which promise an unusually interesting meeting.

THE ICE-BAG IN CHOLERA.

Dr. Chapman, an English physician who has practiced for a number of years in Paris, but was formerly in India, where he had cholera to treat, has just published a book entitled "Cholera Curable." He is the man who some time ago recommended the use of ice-bags for sickness, and has more recently tried the same method with cholera. He used it in ten cases, with a result of ten cures. The ice-bag is a triple rubber bag, about twenty to twenty-four inches in length and about four inches wide. Each part is filled with fine pieces of ice, and it is applied to the back along the spinal column. Its application should be constant, so the ice must be changed from time to time. The vomiting was stopped by its use almost at once, while there was a great diminution in the cramp. The patients warmed up, the pulse came back, and all the symptoms gradually disappeared.

MOURNING FOR A KING.

The following is the way the English court mourned for King Ferdinand of Portugal:

LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE, Dec. 15.—Orders for the court's going into mourning Wednesday next, the 16th instant, for his Majesty King Ferdinand, father of his Majesty the King of Portugal and the Algarves, and first cousin of her Majesty, the Queen—viz:

The ladies to wear black dresses, white gloves, kid or white shoes, feathers, and fans, pearls, diamonds, or plain gold or silver ornaments.

The gentlemen to wear black Court dress with black swords and buckles.

The Court to change the mourning Wednesday, the 30th instant, viz.:

The ladies to wear black dresses, with colored ribbons, flowers, feathers, and ornaments, or gray or white dresses, with black ribbons, flowers, feathers, and ornaments.

The gentlemen to continue the same mourning.

And Wednesday, the 13th January next, the court to go out of mourning.

HENRY BERGH.

NEW ROUSSEAU CONFESSIONS.

HE WRITES OF PRIESTS AND NOVELS TO AN ENGLISHWOMAN.

Pall Mall Gazette: M. Chantelauze, the eminent French historian, has recently made a discovery which has aroused much interest in literary circles in France. He found in an old volume of engravings a letter in Rousseau's handwriting, apparently written as a sort of appendix to the "Confessions." The genuineness of this letter having been proved, the *Livre* and other literary organs reproduce it in full, showing that at the age of 60 years Jean Jacques was still at the hight of his power, and retained all the chief peculiarities which distinguish his philosophy. It appears that the letter was written after Rousseau's exile to England, when, living at Wooton, Derby, he made the acquaintance of the Lady Cecile Hobart, of whom nothing is known except that she was young and beautiful, and, as Rousseau says, that she was the only woman in whom he was not disappointed after he had heard her talk. That an Englishwoman should have gained this distinction is perhaps a little surprising, but, in the first place, Rousseau's acquaint

ENDEN'S DEFENSE.

Governor of Missouri Is Over Being Refused a Foreign Mission.

Could Not Appoint Him Be- He Helped to "Remove" Jesse James.

t "Could Not Shoulder Public "—The Missourian's View of the Slight.

Mo., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The fol- opy of Senator Vest's letter to den regarding the President's re- nt him to office:

ATE SENATE, WASHINGTON, D. C., *Dear Governor*: I consider it my duty the purport of an interview had the terday by Cockrell and myself with We, determined to ask from him gnition of our State in the foreign after selecting between ourselves and two others we approached him ject. When Cockrell named you said he could not entertain in the East you were believed to ed with the Fords for the killing of and, whether true or not, he could public opinion on the subject. We explain the matter, but he was very off with the remark that he "could ." I think you ought to know this Cockrell, anyhow. I have not given ation, but the above is the substance G. G. VEST.

ritteden replied as follows:

ITY, Mo., Nov. 20, 1885.—*The Hon.* AN SENATOR: Yours of the 19th . While being very much obliged nator Cockrell for this expression my behalf, I assure you both I ave been for months, seeking a for- ment, nor would I accept, if ten- e remaining in the gift of the Presi- prised at this part of the letter, in present the President as saying: he is believed to have bargained ds for the killing of Jesse James, true or not, I cannot shoulder public e subject." him or any man to "shoulder" my d sins. I am willing to stand before n in the "East" or elsewhere upon Considering the President an honest, less man in the performance of his ent to the sensations of an hour, I am prised at this declaration. Had I n earlier day his objection, self- d my own consciousness of would have forbidden a solic- any office from the President cent of the fact, if not the charge, as t himself. The last National canvass taught the President the broad differ- a charge and the truth. Had the ders been true against him—uttered d for base reasons by a minister of hen Grover Cleveland would have and morally unfit to occupy the seat by every patriot of this land. As he he charge on the threshold and "Tell the truth," so I, with eenes, say to all friends and the truth," and I shall abide the con- whether for good or for evil. God e faults and weaknesses enough with- others of which I am innocent. What- been the effect of the [illegible] on of the James gang of ottawa, I sa- ve no steps to retrace, no apologies e people of Missouri, or to the Presi- Missouri of today is the vindication ration.

t the President as saying "he could r in the East the responsibility of my t to office because of that charged that may be the case in this special in- erally speaking, I know the people of sensitive on the enforcement of the inst its violation, even under circum- thetive of the most good to society, so equally mindful of that robust t in their character, a willingness to er side before the case is closed and pronounced. They cared nothing for Jesse alive—willing to leave him where nd himself, *hostis humani generis*—and when dead. The people are honest, money-making, making investments law is supreme and well regulated so- ions of dollars have been made in this State by the people since James' h would not have been the case had he monarch of all he surveyed." I am belief that as stern a man as the Presi- dealing out justice between men and who has come up through the trials and s of official life; whose pathway has n with malice engendered by envy ue, the outgrowth of ambition, thorough understands human nature tion and severe experience—should so an excited imputation as to wrong any ring it a moment's consideration, and against one who had been his friend and from the beginning. If so, I am mis- n man.

I have written plainly because my rep- he only "prop and stay" of my life- ritage I have to leave my children—and I defend against all imputation. I truly ill consider no part of this letter offensive e, associate Senator, or the President, ple justice to an old friend who will de upon your patience again in regard e, exhibit it to the President. I am not ppointed at the result of your applica- rejoice that the President finds so many by than myself to fill the office. ght long and earnestly for the triumph racy, and not at all times under sunny on flowery roads, as you are per- ognizant, and truly hope to see this ation succeed on the principles of as founded by Jefferson and Jackson, oring the people and the Government to ds of those great leaders and the sub- e Constitution. While asking no favors of you or the President, I still plead for stribution of the good things of the Gov- able to our loved State and its worthy , only remembering the old guard of the ose who always responded here when the ade for action. Nothing so strengthens a party as fealty to friends and fealty ages and doctrines of that party. Yours THOS. T. CRITTENDEN.

AN ADDING MACHINE.

MARKABLE INVENTION OF MR. LDING OF SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

announced that C. G. Spaulding of d, Mass., after twelve years of labori- lication, has perfected an adding which is a marvel of ingenuity and . It is described by the Springfield n as cased in a wooden box about es square and three deep. On the the interior is seen to hold an enam- surface on which are two dials and the brass key-board in the lower e corner. The larger dial of the two left of the machine and is divided into ns. The rim of the smaller dial is cut nty sections. The hand which moves e first dial is called the unit pointer, ich moves about the smaller one is e hundreds pointer. A little finger the brass key board makes the object ials and the rearmost end of the pointers' uickly understood. The keys on the e numbered from one to nine and are regular order, but also in two rows— 8 being above and the odd numbers The key is a brass upright, and as the raws on it a spring allows it to slip wards the lower end of the box. The of each key on the board sends the nter along on its journey around the many points as there are units in the of the key. Pull the 9 key, and the t 9 goes to 9. Pull the same key again unit pointer moves to 18. Pull the 1, 9, w, and the pointer goes consecutively op, skip and a jump to 24. When the ter, keeping up its agile athletics, has s starting point again, there is a le motion on the right hand dial. The en has "dotted and gone one." The s internal clockwork is claimed to be urate than a human head can hope to n't troubled with malaria, nor is it ger in the morning than it was the fore. All the accountant has to do is e eye up and down the columns, pull respective key as he reaches the cor- g figure. A day is sufficient in which the keyboard, and the motion of the ickly becomes almost involuntary. It ine fulfills its promise it ought to be a clerks in hunting for an elusive bal-

SLEIGHING IN GEORGIA.

A. Gates of Lula made Wednesday he longest sleigh-rides on record at For the last week the mountain coun- e not the eastern part of the State have ttled in snow of unusual heaviness, continuous cold weather has made it for sleighing. Wednesday Mr. Gates m Lula to Gainesville and back, a dis- thirty miles, in a homemade and hasti- ucted sleigh. The jingle of the sleigh- nese snow-covered counties is now thing with their people.—*Atlanta Con-*

SMOTHERED BY MALT.

LAND, O., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—George n employé at Weiss' South Side brew- at 3 o'clock this afternoon entered a om under the huge tank to clear an opper. He accomplished this, but be- could get away the great quantity of ed down upon and buried and smoth- . He was dead when found.

RAILROADS.

The Southwestern Association Listens to Complaints Regarding Exorbitant Rates.

Formation of the Sixth Sub-Pool of the Chicago & Ohio River Combination.

Grand Trunk Officials in Canada Tell a Very Pitiful Story—New Roads.

Delegations of merchants and shippers from St. Louis and Kansas City appeared before the managers of the roads in the Southwestern Railway Association at Commissioner Midgley's office yesterday morning to protest against the alleged discrimination in freight rates against those lines and the high rates charged by the roads. Mr. E. F. Kelly, Commissioner of the St. Louis Merchants' Exchange, in behalf of the exchange submitted a lengthy and carefully prepared statement claiming that the tariff rates between the Missouri River Kansas City, Leavenworth, Atchison, St. Joseph, and Council Bluffs) and St. Louis, Chicago, Peoria, etc., were so manifestly inconsistent and unjust, and such a discrimination against the commerce of St. Louis, that it felt it incumbent to call their attention to the facts and ask a readjustment upon a consistent and equitable basis. He first called attention to the inconsistencies of the freight tariff of the association, which showed that between the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers mail cars, coke, and third-class property pay 80 per cent of the Chicago rate; passengers, sheep in double decks, and corn pay 75 per cent, while locomotives on builders' trucks and sheep in single-deck or tierced cars pay only 66⅔ per cent. Every other class and special bears a separate and distinct percentage relative to the Chicago rate. The difference in rates from or to competing cities, he thought, should be a percentage commensurate with the mileage, and the same on all articles. He failed to understand why St. Louis was charged 85.5 per cent on coal and only 80 per cent on coke; why 71.88 per cent on soft lumber and 81.11 per cent on hard lumber, etc. The differences between Chicago and St. Louis were equally inconsistent and confounding. St. Louis was allowed five cents off Chicago fourth class of 35 cents, and seven and one-half cents off the Class A rate of 32½ cents, or seven and one-half cents off Chicago's Class B rate of 29½, and only five off the fifth-class rate of 30 cents. He thought the differentials would appear more consistent if transposed. He claimed that St. Louis merchants were overcharged from 11 1-10 up to 55 per cent on St. Louis business in both directions. Commissioner Midgley, he said, had no definit knowledge of either the basic principles or the conditions which called the present association into existence, and they were evidently unsuited to the traffic of today. After submitting a large number of tabulated statistics he went on to say that 60 per cent would give St. Louis a lesser rate to Council Bluffs than it is entitled to, but it would pay a little more on Kansas City than it should. He believed the request for 60 per cent of Chicago rates to be eminently fair and liberal, and asked that the tariff rates be revised in accordance with the following formula: Fix the rates between Missouri River points and Chicago; apply Chicago rates to and from Milwaukee; make rates between Missouri River points named and points on the west bank of the Mississippi River 60 per cent of the rates current to and from Chicago; make rates between Missouri River points and common points east of the Mississippi, between which and the Missouri River points the railroads operating are members of or controlled by members of the Southwestern Railway Association, the same rate per ton per mile as their Chicago rates for the short-line mileage distance; and rates between the Missouri River points and points east of the Mississippi River, between which and the Missouri River points the railroads operating are not all members of, or under control of, the associations, be made not less than a strict commutation of lowest locals current via associate points.

Gen. George Grier of St. Louis made a strong argument in support of the above proposition. He said he went 1,400 miles recently through Kansas and Nebraska, traveling in freight cars, to satisfy himself as to what was needed to correct the existing evils and what measures were necessary to move the products from those sections. He talked with dealers and farmers and found that the prices of grain were so low and the freight rates so high and discriminating that they could not bring their stuff to market. He said he found that the farmers get but 15 cents a bushel for corn, hauling it six to eight miles. If they took the money and bought coal at 18 cents a bushel, and carried it back to the farm, there was but little left. They were better off by burning corn for fuel. Thus the railroads not only lost the haul of the corn but the haul of the coal which would be bought with the money received for the corn as well. The farmers asked what object there was in sending corn at 15 cents a bushel and paying 18 cents a bushel for coal. The railroads, as a matter of self-interest, ought to correct their rates so as to enable the farmers to sell their corn. Gen. Grier was followed by Mr. George Minch and ex-Gov. Stannard of St. Louis with elaborate arguments in favor of charging rates on tonnage mileage basis.

The St. Louis people were followed by members of the Kansas City delegation. Their principal complaint was that Kansas City had to pay much higher rates in proportion than points in the Northwest. Mr. H. J. Latchaw, claimed that the rates between Northwestern points and Chicago were on an average 33¼ per cent lower than the rates between Kansas City and Chicago. What from Missouri River points to Chicago he said was 25 cents per 100 pounds; from Missouri River points to Mississippi River points the rate was 20 cents per 100 pounds, thus charging but five cents per 100 pounds for a distance of nearly 300 miles against 5 cents for a distance of about 200 miles. He thought such inequalities ought to be corrected. Messrs. W. B. Grimes and Mr. J. M. Nave of Kansas City also made arguments why rates from Kansas City should be reduced.

The railroad officials made no replies but stated that they would consider the arguments and give their answer at a future time.

FORMATION OF THE SIXTH SUB-POOL OF THE CHICAGO AND OHIO RIVER POOL.

The roads in the Chicago and Ohio River pool and those roads interested in the Southern business going via Evansville and Cairo met again at Commissioner Richardson's office yesterday morning, and, after a short discussion, succeeded in perfecting the sixth sub-pool of the Chicago and Ohio River pool and percentages for the roads comprising the sixth pool were agreed upon. The following resolutions, adopted by the meeting, fully explain the details of the new agreement:

Resolved, That in order to harmonize the difficulties that exist in forming the sixth pool the lines running to Cincinnati and Louisville will accept 58 per cent instead of 57 per cent of the whole business and give 47 per cent instead of 46 per cent to the Evansville and Cairo lines on condition that the 1 per cent thus transferred be given to the Wabash and Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railroads. The reason for the above action was that the lines interested in the sixth pool were unable to agree upon percentages. The Wabash agreed to take 9 per cent; the Chicago & Eastern Illinois and connections were willing to take 10 per cent. This left but 8 per cent for the Wabash and Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Roads. As these refused to take less than 9 per cent, and the other roads would not accept a lower percentage than stated above, there was a hitch which could only be overcome by the Cincinnati and Louisville lines giving the 1 per cent additional to make the share of the Wabash and Peoria, Decatur & Evansville the required 9 per cent. The action of the 47 per cent as finally accorded to the Cairo and Evansville lines is therefore as follows: Wabash and Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Roads 9 per cent, Illinois Central 9 per cent, and the Chicago & Eastern Illinois and connections 29 per cent.

The following resolution was then adopted:

Resolved, That in acceptance of the percentages as adopted in the formation of the sixth pool it is fully understood and agreed that all the roads interested or parties to the agreement shall go into the pool account the gross earnings of their respective roads, based upon full proportions of full and agreed rates between pool points, and such roads shall supply the Commissioners promptly with all copies of all way bills of freight carried between pool points passing over their roads and furnish full information as to division of all rates irrespective of the routes which the freight may take; and if any of such traffic be carried in connection with outside lines between pool points the road or roads parties to this agreement participating in the transportation of such traffic in connection with roads outside this pool shall put into the pool the gross revenue of all roads and connections between such pool points.

Resolved, That the Commissioner call a meeting of General Freight Agents representing roads in interest to arrange rates and make such arrangements as may be necessary to govern the business of their departments under the pools.

Mr. A. L. Richardson was elected Commissioner and Mr. H. E. Hand Secretary of the sixth pool. This pool is to be governed by the same railroad regulations as govern the Chicago and Ohio River pool.

THE TRIPARTITE COMBINATION.

In accordance with a call issued by General Manager Roswell Miller of the Western Trunk Line Association (Tripartite combination) the managers of the Rock Island, Milwaukee & St. Paul, and Wabash Roads held a meeting yesterday to take action in regard to the demands of the Rock Island and Milwaukee & St. Paul that the Wabash's percentage in the pool be reduced on account of the changes in its system. Under the existing agreement each one of the three roads gets 33⅓ per cent of the Union Pacific's Nebraska business. General Traffic-Manager Smith of the Wabash made a strong arrument against the proposed reduction of the percentage of his road. He said no changes had occurred in the Wabash system that affected its Council Bluffs and Omaha traffic. Two lines were dropped from its system—the Missouri, Iowa & Nebraska and the Toledo, Peoria & Western, that formed part of one or two parallel lines to Council Bluffs; and neither affected the business, as those roads still work in connection with the Wabash. He showed that during a period of sixteen months, ending Nov. 30, 1885, in which was included five months subsequent to the change, the Wabash carried 36 per cent, the Rock Island 33¾ per cent, and the Milwaukee & St. Paul 30½ per cent, which showed that the Wabash carried more than its allotted percentage. It may be claimed, he said, that most business is via Chicago, but this was not a fact. The bulk goes to St. Louis and points in the South which could not be reached by other lines, and which throws a large amount of business over the Wabash that cannot be competed for by the other two roads, whereas the Wabash reaches every point they do. Its numerous gateways east of the Mississippi—such as Hannibal, Detroit, Fort Wayne, Toledo, etc.—gave the Wabash an advantage which the other roads could not enjoy. He thought the other roads had been laboring under a misapprehension or he could hardly understand why they ask for a decrease of the Wabash's percentage.

The Rock Island and Milwaukee & St. Paul claimed that the big showing made by the Wabash was due to extraordinary circumstances, and insisted that the dropping of the above-named branches materially weakened the Chicago, Council Bluffs' line. They proposed that the question be submitted to arbitration under the terms of the contract which provided for arbitration in cases of this kind. The Wabash claimed that it could not see what was to be arbitrated and refused to agree to the proposition. Mr. Smith, however, finally consented to take the proposition under advisement, and the meeting adjourned.

THE MISSOURI RIVER ROADS STILL WRANGLING.

The Chicago, St. Louis, and Missouri River Passenger Association was again in session yesterday afternoon until a late hour without coming nearer a settlement of their disputes than they were before, yet the fact that they remain in session so long without final adjournment indicates that the troubles will after all be surmounted and a new agreement made for another year. A friend of a journalist who has long organized the association would mean another serious and disastrous war on passenger rates between Chicago, St. Louis, and Missouri River points, and this the roads are trying to prevent. There are but two questions that form a serious obstacle to the adoption of a new agreement. These are in regard to the payment of commissions for the sale of tickets and the regulation of the dealings with foreign roads—that is, connections of roads in the association. Regarding the commission question there are some roads who would like to see the system entirely wiped out, as it entails an enormous and useless expense upon the lines, but finding that no radical change cannot be made at once they are in favor of largely reducing the expense by cutting down the commission one-half. A few of the roads, however, are wedded to the obnoxious system and insist upon the retention of the amount now paid, $2 from Chicago to the Missouri River and $1 from St. Louis. As regards the dealings with foreign roads, it is urged that full arbitraries should be charged from all junction points. Owing to the strong competition between connecting roads the latter frequently cut rates, and the Missouri River roads are required to pro rate at the cut rates. The roads which want this to be stopped say there is no good reason why points on connecting lines should have an advantage over points on the lines of the roads in the association. All other questions could be easily adjusted if the above problems were solved. Another attempt will be made this morning to harmonize the conflicting interests.

BUFFALO'S NEW LINE.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The directors of the recently incorporated Buffalo & Geneva Railroad Company met this afternoon and elected the following officers: President, William S. Bissell of Buffalo; Vice-President, William W. Wright of Geneva; Treasurer, Howard Elmer of Waverly; Secretary, George M. Diven of Elmira. The exact line of the road is not yet located, and no one is prepared to say exactly where it is likely to run. An effort will, however, be made to secure a short line with easy grades. The distance is about 100 miles, which is some miles shorter than the New York Central line. No effort will be made to force an entrance into Buffalo, an arrangement with some existing road being more feasible. As soon as the weather will permit surveys will be made and the work pushed to a speedy conclusion. There appears to be no desire to pass through the towns on the way, at least not enough to induce the road to go out of its direct route. The inference is that the road is to be a link in some line that is in need of such through connection as it can give.

FROM ST. PAUL TO ROCHESTER.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—St. Paul jobbers have semi-officially announced that they will build a railroad from St. Paul to Rochester at once. The entire trade of this section of the State goes to Chicago now because of the roundabout rail connection with the State Capital. The route is not decided on as yet, but will probably be via Mantorville (on account of the quarries), Dilley to a connection with the Minnesota & Northwestern near West Concord or by an independent route. To the south it may go to the river or into the Iowa coal-fields. The first Board of Directors will be Messrs. Moon, Dean, Lindeke, Cochrane, Daniels, Williams, and Fishback. Several of the men interested say the new road will be entirely independent.

BAD FOR THE MEN.

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—A notice was posted up in the Grand Trunk Railway works here a day or two ago stating that a cut would be made Feb. 1 in the staff of men employed; that no more overtime would be allowed; and that the hours of labor would be shortened, thereby decreasing the men's pay. The men had sent in a petition a couple of weeks ago asking that their wages be restored to what they were before the 10 per cent cut last year; and, as this is the only answer they have received to that petition, there is much dissatisfaction, and rumors of a strike are plentiful. H. Wallis, superintendent of the mechanical department of the Grand Trunk, today said he knew the men wanted to be put upon full wages again. He also knew that the reduction of a year ago had fallen on all alike, and that the officials were as anxious as the men for a restoration of their wages, but the continued falling off of the traffic receipts left no hope for this, and, in fact, further economy was necessary. There was not a side line along the road that was not now blocked with empty cars. No wheat was moving from Chicago for their engines to pull, and it was useless to repair cars that could get nothing to carry or engines that had nothing to haul. A reduction of the staff instead of a reduction af pay had been decided upon, and Monday the men's time would be reduced to fifty hours a week and about 100 men would be discharged. In all there were about 1,000 men now in the works. He did not think there was the slightest danger of a strike. There were no signs of any ill-feeling on the part of the men. No deputation had waited upon him or asked to be allowed to wait on him. The traffic receipts of the Grand Trunk were now, he believed, not greater than they were before the Great Western and Midland systems were acquired.

AN APPARENTLY JUST COMPLAINT.

CENTRALIA, Ill., Jan. 21.—[Editor of The Tribune.]—As showing how much regard some railroads have for the accommodation of the traveling public the connection arrangement at Odin, the junction of the Ohio & Mississippi and Illinois Central Railways, need only be given. The Ohio & Mississippi runs three trains past Odin between 5 a. m. and 6 a. m. The first train, No. 8, carries the New Orleans sleeper and switches it at Odin. Before the next two trains arrive the Illinois Central train south-bound takes out the sleeper and proceeds on its way south. Passengers bound for points on the Illinois Central arriving at Odin on the Salem accommodation or on the second section of the fast train on the Ohio & Mississippi can not get south from Odin until 6:37 that night, which makes a delay of twelve hours. The Illinois Central could, by waiting fifteen or twenty minutes at Odin, take out the passengers without any delay.

Going north, the Illinois Central train arrives at Odin about ten minutes after the Ohio & Mississippi train has gone east, though it could easily get there earlier, and passengers destined for points between Odin and Flora have to wait three and a half hours at Odin before they can get away, and then are forced to take a freight-train.

The Ohio & Mississippi people have endeavored to meet the demands by running their Salem accommodation earlier, and it is only because the Illinois Central fails to make a small concession that the abominable state of affairs exists.

MICHIGAN PROSPECTS.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Railway matters are to boom in the spring. The Marquette, Houghton & Ontonagon and Mineral Range Narrow-Gage will be connected by a draw-bridge over the arm of Portage Lake next month. It is said that the Chicago & Northwestern will build a branch to the Gogebic iron range next summer. It is also authoritatively rumored that the Milwaukee & Northern will build a branch to the Menominee range. The Milwaukee, Lake Shore & Western will push further into Ontonagon County next season. The Canada, La Crosse & Southwestern construction will be commenced in the spring. The Detroit, Mackinac & Marquette is making strong efforts to get trade from the Wabash and Northwestern and transfer much of the wholesale business to Detroit that now goes to Chicago. Low freight rates are accordingly made and the Northwestern has already made a reduction in the freight tariff for the present year.

THE OHIO VALLEY RAILWAY.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The grading on the Ohio Valley Railway from Henderson to Morganfield, Ky., was completed yesterday evening. The ties and rails are on the ground and will be laid as soon as the weather moderates. The work of grading between Morganfield and De Koven will be commenced early next week. The contractors insure the completion of the road between Henderson and De Koven by May 1. Col. James Montgomery, formerly Superintendent, of the Henderson Division of the Louisville & Nashville Road, has been offered the Superintendency of the new road.

MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL DIRECTORS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—[Special.]—All day today was spent by the directors of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company in discussing plans for building one or more branch roads and issuing new securities. There was not a unanimity of sentiment in everything, and the meeting finally adjourned without accomplishing anything. They meet again tomorrow.

AN INFAMOUS SLANDER RETRACTED.

In a recent issue of the *Merchant Traveler* Mr. E. A. Ford, General Passenger Agent of the Pennsylvania Company's lines, was editorially charged with having, at a meeting of the Central Passenger Association, held at Cincinnati while the "week-end" ticket matter for commercial travelers was under consideration, stated that commercial travelers are "liars, thieves, robbers, cutthroats," etc. The editor of the paper dilated upon this charge in a most unjustifiable manner by printing various other defamatory articles. A friend of the journalist who has long organized the association would mean another serious and disastrous war on passenger rates between Chicago, St. Louis, and Missouri River points, and this the roads are trying to prevent. There are but two questions that form a serious obstacle to the adoption of a new agreement. These are in regard to the payment of commissions for the sale of tickets and the regulation of the dealings with foreign roads—that is, connections of roads in the association. Regarding the commission question there are some roads who would like to see the system entirely wiped out, as it entails an enormous and useless expense upon the lines, but finding that no radical change cannot be made at once they are in favor of largely reducing the expense by cutting down the commission one-half. A few of the roads, however, are wedded to the obnoxious system and insist upon the retention of the amount now paid, $2 from Chicago to the Missouri River and $1 from St. Louis. As regards the dealings with foreign roads, it is urged that full arbitraries should be charged from all junction points. Owing to the strong competition between connecting roads the latter frequently cut rates, and the Missouri River roads are required to pro rate at the cut rates. The roads which want this to be stopped say there is no good reason why points on connecting lines should have an advantage over points on the lines of the roads in the association. All other questions could be easily adjusted if the above problems were solved. Another attempt will be made this morning to harmonize the conflicting interests.

BUFFALO'S NEW LINE.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The directors of the recently incorporated Buffalo & Geneva Railroad Company met this afternoon and elected the following officers: President, William S. Bissell of Buffalo; Vice-President, William W. Wright of Geneva; Treasurer, Howard Elmer of Waverly; Secretary, George M. Diven of Elmira. The exact line of the road is not yet located, and no one is prepared to say exactly where it is likely to run. An effort will, however, be made to secure a short line with easy grades. The distance is about 100 miles, which is some miles shorter than the New York Central line. No effort will be made to force an entrance into Buffalo, an arrangement with some existing road being more feasible. As soon as the weather will permit surveys will be made and the work pushed to a speedy conclusion. There appears to be no desire to pass through the towns on the way, at least not enough to induce the road to go out of its direct route. The inference is that the road is to be a link in some line that is in need of such through connection as it can give.

THE CONGO FREE STATE.

The Congo Free State has entered the postal union. A list of postal rates ranging from five to fifty centimes adopted, and five different postage stamps has been issued, all bearing the profile of King Leopold and the words "Etat Independant du Congo." The business of the new State is transacted at Brussels by four Ministers, who preside over the Departments of Justice, Finance, Foreign Affairs and Commerce, and the Interior and Police. The State is divided into four administrative districts, each having a Governor, and all being under the charge of Col. de Winton, the Administrator-General. The four Governors have had several years' experience on the Congo, and were among the most trusted and enthusiastic of Stanley's lieutenants.

SPIDERS FOR AGUE.

Spiders were formerly considered to be a cure in rural districts for ague. Some years ago a lady in Ireland was famous for her success in curing people thus affected. It appears that the only medicine she employed was a large spider rolled up in treacle. The patients were ignorant of the contents of this novel bolus, so that imagination had nothing to do with the matter. In England, also, the spider has been called in as an ague doctor. In Lincolnshire the creature was treated very much after the above-mentioned Irish fashion, being rolled up in paste and swallowed; but elsewhere the animal is put into a bag and worn round the neck.

NEMESIS IN IRELAND.

The Tragic Situation Which Confronts England—Past Crimes That Are Bearing Their Fruit.

Pall Mall Gazette: Talk about Greek tragedy! Where will you find a more tragic situation than that which confronts us in Ireland? The slow-footed deity that dogs the steps of the evil-doer has almost overtaken us, and the repentant criminal finds his very penitence contributes to his doom. We use the word criminal, and we use the word advisedly. We have been guilty of many crimes in Ireland which are now bearing like fruitage in other crimes, and there are many who regard the crop that has sprung from our own sowing as sufficient reason for continuing to scatter the same evil seed. When we speak of crimes, we do not mean century-old brutalities. The massacre of Drogheda and Wexford weigh lightly on our soul. Even to the atrocities that marked the struggle of '98 we are comparatively indifferent. The crimes of which we have been guilty, and for which we are suffering wrong, are less sensational but more subtle. They did not scatter the brains of an individual, they weakened the brains of the race. They did not sack a city, they merely rackrented an estate. Broadly speaking, the Irish difficulty has two phases: One is that of the "incurable dishonesty" of the Irish peasant on the question of land; the other the "hopeless impracticability" of the Irish people in dealing with problems of government. In both cases the disease is of our own making. There is not an adult in Ireland today but was born in days when the State, the law, the Judge, and the constable instilled into every Irish heart the great doctrine that the commandment, "Thou shalt not steal," did not apply to land. On the contrary, English law enforced with all the machinery of the State the right of the landlord to steal his tenants' property. The right of the landlord to evict and confiscate the improvements of his tenant was, outside Ulster, as unlimited as his right to levy exorbitant rent upon the capital which the tenant had invested in his holding. Our Parliament knew that this was the case ever since 1845, when the report of the Devon Commission recommended the simple remedy of honest dealing as the true solution of the land question. But we would not hearken. Lords and Commons, Ministers and people turned a deaf ear to the cries of the plundered tenant. Not until last Parliament was any real protection given to the savings of the peasant. Hence there has been bred in the peasant mind an absolute negation of the moral law in relation to landed property. Our law has been the schoolmaster who has brought him to Mr. Parnell. As the landlord plundered while he was strong, so shall he be plundered now that he is weak. As for honesty, the Ten Commandments, the moral law, and all the rest of it—where were they when the present generation went to school in our law courts to learn that the measure of a landlord's right to the savings of his tenant was limited only by the extent of these savings? Hence the agrarian difficulty, with its almost insoluble problem. Every addition to the power of the Irish people, it is said, is an addition to the force in favor of robbing the landlord. It is true, and the reason is that we have taught the Irish people for generations that theft is no robbery when the property stolen is connected with land.

But that is not the only grip which Nemesis has on our throats. Men stand aghast when they hear the leaders of the Irish people babbling like babies as soon as they attempt to unfold their program for governing their country. One orator is going to make his country rich by importing everything dear that his countrymen buy. Another intends to restore her credit by sponging the state. Yet these people in the management of their private affairs are acute and shrewd as other men. It is only when they deal with public and general business that they clamor for the moon and insist upon roasting potatoes in a mundril. And why is this strange contrast? Because we for our own interests have refused to allow the Irish that reasonable exercise in self-government which alone can steady men with a sense of their responsibilities and familiarize them with the possession of power. And, having hamstrung the race, we curse them for not being able to run; having forbidden them ever to wet their feet, we declare that they are constitutionally incapable of swimming.

A MONTEVIDEAN MILLIONAIRE.

THE CASTAWAY SAILOR FROM PHILADELPHIA WHO HAS BECOME A URUGUAYAN CROESUS.

Philadelphia *Record:* "There are very few people in this city who know what a big figure a Philadelphian is cutting down in Montevideo, the Capital of Uruguay, in South America," remarked Capt. Ulmer, lately commanding the barkentine Wandering Jew of this port, who is now in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. "I was down there about a year ago," continued the Captain, "and saw considerable of the person in question, a man named D. Evans, who has achieved fame in life and one of the wealthiest citizens of the Uruguayan Republic. Evans claims to be an American and a Philadelphian, but the prevailing idea among the citizens of Montevideo is that he is a Scotchman. At any rate he insists that he is not a Scot, and he has brought all his chil dren up with the strict understanding that they are Americans. He is the backbone and must never acknowledge any flag but the Stars and Stripes of Uncle Sam. He struck Montevideo about thirty years ago without a cent to bless himself with, having been wrecked while mate of the ship Young Mechanic of Rockland, Me., and saving only the clothes on his back and a battered old boat in which he got away from the wreck. He had unlimited pluck, however, and went to work at once to make a living by ferrying people about the harbor to and from ships lying in the roadsted, and jobs of that sort. Not long after he took to the business he was caught in a sharp squall just outside the harbor and was capsized. Four hours later a steamer coming in hove to and picked him up whi e he was clinging to the keel of his upturned craft. He thanked the officer in charge of the men who had put off to rescue him, but declined to go on board the steamer, asking as a great favor that the sailors help him in righting his capsized boat, as it was all he had in the world to make a living with. Admiring his grit, they gave him the required assistance, and an hour after the steamer dropped her anchor he sailed past and was given a hearty cheer by the men on the fo'castle deck.

"He picked up a little money by means of the old tub he had refused to desert and invested in a bit of property, which soon doubled in value, and then, going into real estate as a business, fortune smiled on him, and he became wealthy in a few years. Now he owns whole blocks of houses in the city, and his own place is one of the finest in the entire country, while his fortune is continually swelling. His hospitality is a byword down there, and it appears to give him especial pleasure to entertain Americans, while for the Yankee naval officers and shipmasters who sail into port he cannot make too much fuss over them. He often talks about Philadelphia, but does not say anything about coming back here to live. Poverty is no bar to a man finding a friend in Mr. Evans, for he is as ready to welcome a poor chap out of the fo'castle as the commander of a man-o'-war, but he won't take any stock in men unless he thinks that they are square. He has always given a very cold shoulder to Winslow, the Boston forger, who found a haven in Montevideo.

"In the centre of his private park there is a splendid bronze fountain which cost him a good many thousand dollars, and it is surrounded by a huge basin, stocked with splendid trout and a big school of gold fish. Floating about on the waters of the basin is the old boat he saved from the wreck, and he thinks as much of it as he does of any of his children. No stranger ever escapes being taken to do reverence to the boat that twice saved his host's life and laid the foundation of his splendid fortune.

"'When I was flat broke she was my only friend,' he says to the people he takes down to the fountain to see his rickety old pet, 'and though you may not notice anything pretty about her, she's the most beautiful thing I ever saw.' Of course such a man is immensely popular, and in all the valley of the River Plate there isn't a man who don't feel proud of Evans' acquaintance if he has the pleasure of knowing him."

TRAVELING ON A TRUNK.

New York correspondent of the Louisville *Courier-Journal:* "My company stranded in Milwaukee," said an actor, who was bewailing his luck here today, "and I had to travel to this city on my trunk."

Traveling on a trunk is something I never heard of before, and I asked to be enlightened. "Any railroad," he said, "will take your trunk for passage if you think you can redeem it at the end of your journey. Up in New England, if your trunk is valuable, you can get enough to buy meals on it as well as your fare. Every actor travels on his trunk when he is in hard luck."

THE TRADE SITUATION.

REPORTS FROM VARIOUS CITIES ARE NOT PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGING—FIGURES AS TO FAILURES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Taking the country as a whole, special telegrams to *Bradstreet's* received this week do not indicate any material gain in the distribution of general merchandise. At Boston there are no new features, and there is considerable anxiety among manufacturers over the low margins of profit, especially in view of the prevalence of labor troubles. At Philadelphia it is asserted that there is a tendency to improve, but business has been checked by the weather. Baltimore's reports are that the severe weather has checked all lines of trade, although dry-goods jobbers look ahead to a fair distribution. At Boston the dry-goods trade with jobbers starts moderately favorable, the Western and Southwestern orders for spring prints and dress ginghams being above conservative expectations. With agents business is more quiet, and the low range of prices is a prominent feature. Print cloths at the mills appear firmer than for some time at unchanged prices. Stocks are still light. The seaboard wool markets are steady, with no new features. Manufacturers are slow to order until goods making are disposed of, though the average aggregate of weekly sales is good. Australian wools bound hither tend to check any advance in fine wools. At Milwaukee and St. Paul, at St. Louis, and at Burlington, Ia., the movement of general merchandise is relatively quiet, with mercantile collections only fair. The movement of dry goods in the Central Mississippi River Valley has slackened, and prices are not so firm. At Chattanooga and at Memphis there is no material improvement except in dry goods, to a moderate degree, at the latter. Trade has been visibly checked at the former, the iron industry there being almost at a standstill. At Indianapolis the business situation is disappointing, and collections are slow. There is little disposition to buy, and traders are not so confident as heretofore. At Evansville the commercial outlook is less inspiriting also.

Chicago reports a slight gain in the distribution of goods. The iron and steel industries have not improved any. On the contrary, there is a perceptible check to orders for raw and manufactured iron. Prices remain unchanged. Anthracite coal is more demoralized, prices are off again, and there has been no decision respecting the quarter's or the year's output. Checkered buying of cotton by spinners and continued light exports have permitted spots to go off about 1-16 cent, and futures about thirteen points on the week. The wheat situation looks more bullish. Leading interior storage-points have begun shipping wheat back to country milling points, which indicates a very light invisible supply. The outlook for six months of this year promises a far more rapid destruction of the enormous visible supply of stocks than had been expected, and has turned attention to the world's demand and supply from a new point of view. Spot wheat closed at 90 cents, against 90¾ cents a week ago. Indian corn and oats, too, are firm and higher. The decline in the supply of hogs at packing points has bolstered the provision market. The movement of grocery staples has been disappointing and behind those in the like week last year. Dairy products are quiet, with limited export demand.

The total number of business failures in the United States reported to *Bradstreet's* this week is 204, against 231 last week, 196 in the third week of January, 1885, 210 in 1884, 209 in 1883, and 210 in 1882. The large increase is striking, as it parallels totals in the early weeks of last year, when the failure list was exceptionally heavy. Canada had thirty failures, as against twenty-eight last week, thirty in the like week in 1885, thirty-eight in 1884, twenty-six in 1883, and eight in 1882. The total number of failures in the United States for twenty-two days of 1886 is 1,027, against 1,279 in 1885, 976 in 1884, 948 in 1883, and 565 in 1882.

The business failures during the last seven days as reported to R. G. Dun & Co. number for the United States, 303; for Canada, twenty-six; a total of 329, as against 332 last week and 338 the week previous to last. More than two-thirds of the number are reported from the Southern, Western, and Pacific States.

MARK TWAIN.

HIS SPEECH AT THE TYPOGRAPHICAL DINNER IN NEW YORK—REMINISCENCES OF HIS CUB-PRINTERSHIP.

New York *Sun*, Jan. 19: Typothetæ, an association of New-Yorkers having more or less to do with types, commemorated the birthday of Benjamin Franklin by a dinner at Delmonico's last night, which was enjoyed by over 200 guests.

Mark Twain was there, and his text was, "The Compositor." This is what he said:

"The Chairman's historical reminiscences of Gutenberg have caused me to fall into reminiscences, for I myself am something of an antiquity. [Laughter.] All things

THE CITY.

PERSONAL.

J. L. Osborne, Lincoln, Neb., and C. L. Linsley, New York, are at the Leland.

W. P. Herring, Emporia, Kas., and Charles Bent, Morrison, Ill., are at the Sherman.

Col. C. H. Allen, St. Louis, and R. E. Sears, Marshalltown, Ia., are at the Tremont.

Thomas H. Nelson, Terre Haute; D. F. Barry, Bismarck, Dak.; and George Thompson, St. Paul, are at the Palmer.

Ex-Gov. E. O. Stannard, St. Louis; Col. Orland Smith, Cincinnati; and Capt. R. E. Thompson, U. S. A., are at the Grand Pacific.

IN GENERAL.

James Stanton, a saloonkeeper at No. 44 Chicago avenue, was fined $20 by Justice Kerston yesterday for keeping his place open after midnight.

There were married Jan. 19, at the residence of Charles Field, Esq., Dorset, Vt., by the Rev. P. S. Pratt, Katherine Armstrong Field, daughter of Charles Field, and Horace Fay White of Chicago.

Taking the chilly weather into consideration quite a crowd assembled at the Central Music-Hall last night to hear Frances Willard, the President of the Christian Woman's Temperance Union, lecture on "Temperance Reform."

The trial of Robert Bruce for the shooting of Henry, alias Eddie, Devine, in a Washington street house of ill-fame was concluded before Judge Collins yesterday. The jury went out at 5:30 o'clock and a sealed verdict will be returned this morning.

At the annual meeting of the Western Association of Collegiate Alumnæ at the residence of Mrs. B. J. Moore, No. 388 West Adams street, today at 1:30 o'clock p. m., the Hon. Ezra B. McCagg will deliver an address on "Woman as a Power Militant in the War of the Rebellion."

A Kansas City dispatch states that George Freeman, alias Martin, alias "Sheeny George," was yesterday set to work breaking stone on a $100 fine for vagrancy. Freeman is the man who was believed to have been associated with Johnny Lamb in the murder of Officer Race on State street in 1878.

John Meyer, the former cashier of the Loan and Savings Bank at Pullman, was arraigned before Justice Lyon yesterday, charged with embezzling $1,800 of the bank's funds. Although this was the amount named in the complaint, the bank officials claim that Meyer's accounts are short over $3,000. He was held to the Criminal Court, bail being set at $4,000.

Leonard A. Morrison, A. M., of Windham, N. H., author of the "History of the Morrison Family" and "History of Windham," is writing a full history of the Kimball family, descendants of Richard Kimball, who settled in Ipswich, Mass., in 1634. Any person bearing the name of Kimball should mail to Mr. Morrison at once all records and information of his or her family.

At the meeting of the German-American Veteran Association last night at the corner of Fifth avenue and Washington street arrangements were perfected for a concert and ball to be given Feb. 22, Washington's Birthday, at the North Side Turner-Hall. It was decided to invite the Twenty-fourth, Eighty-second, and Nineteenth Illinois Volunteers, Lyons Post, and the German Warriors' Association to participate in the festivities.

The following officers were elected in Chicago Council, Princes of Jerusalem, 16° A. A. Scottish rite: Sovereign Grand Master, George W. Wardelie; Deputy Grand Master, H. N. Huribut, 33°; Senior Grand Warden, John A. May; Junior Grand Warden, Frank M. Luce; Grand Treasurer, E. F. Gunther; Grand Secretary, G. W. Barnard, 33°; Grand Master of Ceremonies, John H. Huyck; Grand Almoner, W. L. Milligan; Grand Master of Entrance, Joseph Spies; Grand Tyler, Arch McLellan.

Yesterday afternoon two men presented an order to D. C. Alston, No. 225 South Water street, for a quantity of mixed paint. The order was signed by a prominent business firm. Mr. Alston was suspicious, and detained the young men until he could ascertain whether or not the order was genuine. The firm supposed to have given the order pronounced it a forgery. The young men were arrested and gave their names as Joseph Kloft and George Witnoky. They claim to have got the order from a man whose name they did not know.

Ex-Superintendent Lake's poetic gem, "Passengers alighting from this car should face ahead to save a jar," that has become so familiar to all West-Siders, was disregarded by Joseph Byrnes of No. 38 Miller street Thursday night. He stepped off the front platform of a west-bound Van Buren street car while he was endeavoring to count the number of lights on the Board of Trade tower. Then the lights went out. When picked up Mr. Byrnes was insensible and the blood was spurting from an ugly wound on the top of his head. Dr. Small sewed up the gash and Mr. Byrnes was taken home. There is a moral to this incident.

William Noel, a saloonkeeper, was fined $20 yesterday by Justice Meech for violating the ordinance requiring saloons to be closed after midnight. Warrants were issued for the arrest of Martin Oreski, No. 3201 Fox street, and F. Rowell, Thirty-first and Broad streets. The charge in each case is selling liquor to minors. A few days ago three boys were sent to the bridewell for stealing coal and selling it to obtain money wherewith to buy liquor, and it is said that they were faithful patrons of the two saloons named. Mrs. Crowley, living at the corner of Benson and Lancaster avenues, will be arrested for giving liquors to minors. When before the court one of the boys testified that she had urged them to steal the coal, and had paid them in liquor.

Another accident occurred Thursday afternoon at the corner of Randolph and Dearborn streets, where the day before a little girl was driven over by a reckless cabman. The sufferer on this occasion was Otto Spankenrock, 10 years old, living at No. 236 Hudson street. As he was hurrying across the street an express-wagon driven by George Rickett turned the corner. One of the shafts struck him upon the head, and he was picked up insensible from under the horses' feet. Ricket was arrested, but discharged by Justice Meech, who held that as the man was driving but four miles an hour a charge of fast driving would not be sustained. The charge of assault was also dismissed, presumably because "boys are always in the way anyhow."

The case against Hermann Graff, a milk-dealer at No. 338 Throop street, charged with selling adulterated milk, was dismissed yesterday by Justice Hammer. City-Treasurer William M. Devine was summoned to answer a similar charge. At the time the case was first instituted Mr. Devine denied that he owned the milk concern in question, and asked for a continuance in order to bring evidence of the fact. Yesterday, however, he admitted his ownership. The driver of one of his wagons had delivered milk to a restaurantkeeper, and some of this had been bought and analyzed. Prof. J. H. Long of the Chicago Medical College testified that he had found it below the regular standard. On behalf of the defense a number of Devine's employés and customers were called, and stated that they had always found the milk good. The verdict was given in favor of the prosecution, and Devine was fined $10 and costs.

William H. Bhler, the keeper of a cheap lodging-house at No. 70 Canal street, who shot and probably fatally wounded Henry Neimeyer last Thursday night, was before Justice White yesterday charged with assault with intent to commit murder. A certificate from a physician at the County Hospital stated that the bullet which entered Neimeyer's neck had not yet been abstracted and had probably taken a downward course into the lungs, making it doubtful about his recovery. Witnesses who were present at the shooting said that Bhler rushed into the room with the exclamation: "A man is after me to kill me," and then he secured a revolver from a drawer in the room, and, going to the door, opened it and fired. Neimeyer was just outside the door, but had not attempted to enter when shot. Upon this evidence the court declined to admit the prisoner to bail, and remanded him to the 26th inst., pending the result of Neimeyer's injuries.

ANOTHER CASE OF PINAFORE.

There was rather an amusing incident, for the lookers-on at least, in the County Hospital the other day. It appears that blood-poisoning broke out in one of the lying-in wards which necessitated the removal of the mothers to one ward, the babies being temporarily removed to another. About ten babies, all only about a day or two old and dressed in "county clothes," were laid on a stretcher and carried to the ward prepared for them. Their former quarters were then fumigated. This was all very well, but, unfortunately, in removing them the authorities forgot to label the infants, and when the time came for them to return, like Mrs. Micawber's twins to the "maternal fount," it was a "wise child that knew its own mother," and, as they were all dressed alike and as far as looks went, they were all as like as two peas. Not being marked like puppies or kittens, the mothers were equally nonplussed. The boy and girl babies were about equally divided, and the only one that was absolutely identified was a girl baby with a nose "tiptilted like the petal of a flower." As most of the babies born in the County Hospital are illegitimate, many of these youngsters will have to face the world not only laboring under the disadvantage of not knowing who their father is, but of being in considerable doubt as to the identity of their mother.

PALMER FREED ON A QUIBBLE.

The trial of Albert H. Palmer, the alleged professional "straw bailer," was brought to an abrupt termination yesterday morning by an acquittal by the jury on the order of Judge Tuley. The court discovered that Justice Kersten was mentioned in the indictment as a "police magistrate" instead of a Justice of the Peace. Frank D. Turner, attorney for Palmer, and State's-Attorney Grinnell both said there was not such an officer "in law" as a "police justice" or a "police magistrate" in Chicago, and the court instructed the jury to acquit the accused. The jury followed the instructions and Palmer was set free. "Palmer is a lucky criminal," said Mr. Grinnell. "Turner came to my office before the trial and asked me if I would consent to a plea of guilty that his man might get off with a light sentence and leave the State. And here the straw-bailer gets off on a technicality. It beats thunder." There are other charges against Palmer, Mr. Grinnell says, on which indictments may be found and cause his rearrest.

THE MAYOR'S PROPOSITION TO THE STREET-CAR COMPANIES.

President Jones of the West Division Railway Company was asked yesterday what he thought of Mayor Harrison's proposition to have the street-cars make circuits in the business district, and thus avoid changing horses at the present termini, and do away with the delays and annoyance to which pedestrians and teams are subjected by the existing arrangement. "I have just received his letter," he replied, "and haven't had time to consider it. The suggestion is a good one—a very sensible one. An arrangement ought to be made to keep the cars moving; we have had it on our minds for a long time—been talking about it for over a year. We will do the best in our power to accomplish something to relieve the pressure, which is becoming serious. If the lines were continuous we could put on 100 more cars. The Mayor's letter will be laid before the directors."

"We received Mayor Harrison's letter proposing changes in the running of the North Side cars on Clark and State streets," said Mr. Jacob Rehm, Vice-President of the North Division Railway Company, "but we have not considered his proposition yet. We are too far from the City-Hall to receive much notice from the Council. There may be something good in these plans, and we'll look the ground over at our leisure."

ENTITLED TO FREEDOM.

HUNDREDS OF BRIDEWELL PRISONERS WHO ARE ILLEGALLY HELD—A BAD MESS.

Superintendent Felton of the bridewell has been complaining of the overcrowded condition of that institution, and desires the Council to appropriate $166,000 to make some changes and add a house containing 300 cells. In view of what occurred yesterday, however, there will be no necessity for doing the work this year, as it is likely that the population of the House of Correction will be reduced several hundred before the end of the month. Every one who has been sent there from the Armory Police Court is entitled to his discharge, and can get it if he or his friends have money enough to pay a lawyer for applying for a writ of habeas corpus. The precedent was set by a case which came up before Judge Collins in the Criminal Court yesterday.

John W. Ford had been fined $100 by Justice Meech. The money was demanded by a man named Ward, and, as Ford did not pay, Ward put him in a cell, where he remained until taken to the bridewell to serve out his fine. A legal friend of his, who had read of the discharge of Bailiff Flynn for neglecting his duty, concluded that Ford had been illegally committed, and hence made application for his release.

City-Attorney Washburne admitted that Ward was not an officer of the court and had no authority to do as he had done.

Among the causes in the habeas corpus act for the discharge of a prisoner when in custody on process of the court is this: "Where, although in proper form, the process has been issued or executed by a person either unauthorized to issue or execute the same, or where the person having custody of the prisoner under such process is not empowered by law to detain."

All the court said was "discharged."

It is intimated that the number illegally sent to the bridewell is about 200. If it were summer prisoners who had been fined from $15 to $100 by Justice Meech would doubtless take advantage of this opportunity to secure their release, but, as it is much colder out of doors, and will continue to be so until most have served out their sentences, many may be unwilling to leave the institution. Some, however, will unquestionably get out, and thus relieve the overcrowding.

"When Patterson succeeded Climren," said City-Attorney Washburne, "I told him not to give executions to any one except Flynn. But I found out he was turning them over to Ward, so I wrote Chief Ebersold to detail a policeman to take charge of the executions. Ward is not a policeman, and had no authority to execute the process of the court, but he has been sending prisoners to the bridewell and making returns on the writs. All such prisoners are entitled to their discharge. It is a bad mess, and the thing is far-reaching. I raised a row months ago about the way the business was carried on at the Armory Court, and tried to find a remedy. The Mayor said he could not remove Flynn. Gurney had been trying for three or four years to get him out because he did not report collections, and was unsuccessful. The Mayor had had his resignation in his desk since April, and in August or September said in an interview that he washed his hands of the whole matter, because the Council wouldn't let him do anything. It would have been of no use for me to go to the Mayor and receive the same answer that Gurney got. Therefore I took another method and was successful in getting rid of him, the Mayor accepting his resignation, which he could have done in August or before. If Flynn had been removed long ago, as he should have been, there would have been no irregularities now, and the present complication would not have arisen."

Mayor Harrison said he told Flynn "months ago" that he must do better or he would accept his resignation. He supposed he was doing better until City-Attorney Washburne notified him the other day, and then he did accept it.

Aside from the release of 200 prisoners from the bridewell, which is a small matter, as nearly all of them are drunkards and not thieves, there is a serious aspect of the case. These people have been illegally imprisoned, and can sue the city for damages. Whether a jury would give them anything is questionable, but there are a number of speculative attorneys in Chicago, and it is not unlikely that they will get hold of some of the prisoners when they come out and induce them to bring suits, and thus put the city to large expense and make a great deal of trouble for its law officers, if they do not succeed in getting a considerable sum from the Treasury.

VERY BADLY SOLD.

A SUSPICIOUS VALISE-LOAD THAT CAUSED A GOOD DEAL OF GROUNDLESS CONSTERNATION.

A workman employed in Neff's wagon-shop, on the corner of West Congress and Green streets, rushed into the Desplaines Street Station yesterday, and in breathless tones informed Desk-Sergeant Dutton that there was a dynamite machine in a vacant lot in the rear of Neff's factory, and he wanted it removed at once. The sergeant told him to remove it himself, but this did not seem to be just what the wagonmaker desired. He intimated that the police were paid to protect the property of citizens, and he supposed it came within their duty to cart away dynamite if called upon to do so. Finally Officer Madden agreed to go to the spot and investigate. He found an old leather satchel in the vacant lot, and cautiously examined its contents. Things looked somewhat incendiary inside. There were a couple of wooden tubes with one end filled with a heavy substance and capped with lead. It looked very like a detonator on the end of a cartridge. A box of cartridges and a Smith & Wesson revolver next came to sight, and lastly there was a carefully-made wooden spade of miniature size, which, after much thought, the officer decided was intended to scoop out a receptacle for the explosives under some wall. The entire outfit was brought to the station, and a second examination brought to light several printed descriptions of how to make chemical explosives and their effect. There were also a lot of circus and theatre bills, etc., on some of which was written the name W. J. Purves. The articles were handled cautiously all day, and numerous were the stories of disaster they summoned up, until a young carpenter came in and showed that the wooden tubes were file-handles, with lead poured in to make them more firm, and were perhaps intended to be used as slungshots. The revolver and cartridges gave color to the assumption, and everybody took a cigar at Dutton's expense.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS.

STATISTICS RELATIVE TO THE HANDLING OF MAIL MATTER—APPEALS AGAINST CUSTOMS APPRAISEMENTS—ITEMS.

Capt. McGrath, Superintendent of Mails, yesterday filed his report of the business done in his department during the year 1885. In that period there were 16,150,312 pounds or 179,669,654 pieces of mail matter handled, originating in the Chicago office for distribution and dispatch. There were received from the railway post-offices and other offices 862,824 pounds or 3,652,670 pieces received here for dispatch and distribution; 1,024,491 pouches and canvas sacks of mail received and 320,840 made up by railway post-offices in transit; there were 284,560 pounds or 2,919,500 pieces of foreign mail sent out; 10,006 sealed bags of letters and papers received and sent; and 32,058 mistakes made in the distribution and dispatch of mail. The grand total shows 17,297,106 pounds, 186,241,824 pieces, and 1,355,337 bags handled during the year by a force of 213 employés.

Yesterday was a day of protests at Collector Seeberger's office. The Chinaman who imported an invoice of shoes upon which the customs authorities decided to charge the same tariff as that imposed on wool, 40 cents per pound, filed his protest against such action. Lydsell Bros. protested against the appraisement made upon the invoice of anchovies imported by them, and the Union National Bank protested against the assessment of two cents per pound upon the potato starch seized some days ago. The bank insists that the goods are not dutiable, and has appealed from the decision of Collector Seeberger direct to Secretary Manning. In the fish case J. D. McNabb and Benson Bros. have been appointed merchant appraisers to pass on the case. They will meet today at 1 o'clock.

The difficulty experienced in supplying the Marine Hospital with water has determined the Government to construct an artesian well there. The work will be commenced immediately after the frost is out of the ground, it is said, and carried forward to completion. In addition to this, other facilities will be attempted by a line of pipes carrying water from the lake for the boiler and other purposes.

Auditor Rea is engaged upon plans for the reconstruction of the room recently vacated by the Post-Office Inspectors, which will hereafter be used by the accountants and cashiers. The retail stamp office will not be removed from its present location. The present Auditor's office will be occupied as the wholesale stamp salesroom. The plans will be forwarded to Washington without delay, and the improvements made as soon as an appropriation can be secured.

The morning trains were from twenty minutes to seven hours and the afternoon trains from fifty minutes to eight hours behind time yesterday. Five of the afternoon trains had not been heard from a. 5 o'clock.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

THE DEMAND FOR CITY EXPENDITURES FAR IN EXCESS OF THE SUPPLY OF CASH—MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Controller Gurney has received the estimates of all the chiefs of departments, and will submit their figures and his own recommendations to the Council Monday evening. He says he has never "had such a time" as this year on account of the large sums asked for. Only so much is available for general city purposes, and he has been obliged to do much cutting in order to keep the amount within the limit of the tax levy and miscellaneous receipts. Half a dozen bridges and several viaducts are demanded, and, in order not to show favoritism, the Controller says he will perhaps have to strike out all the items for such purposes. The estimates of the Board of Education will be reduced about $200,000, the Department of Public Works about $500,000, and the other departments $100,000, making the reduction nearly $1,000,000. The Finance Committee and Council, however, may not agree with the Controller as to some of the items, especially those for bridges and viaducts.

The new Ashland avenue bridge was opened for travel yesterday afternoon. There is now no break in the street from the North Branch to the southern limits, the road fora mile north of the bridge having been raised and put in order. The work of rebuilding the Throop street bridge will be commenced this morning, and it will be closed for about three weeks.

Very few of the real-estate brokers have taken out a license, and City-Collector Onahan is organizing a raid on them. About 150 are to be summoned to appear in the Police Court to tell why they should not be fined for doing business contrary to law. No one is obliged to pay a commission to an unlicensed broker, and it cannot be recovered by suit.

There were only 12,474 deaths in the city last year, against 13,471 in 1884—a surprising and gratifying fact in view of the large increase in the population. The death-rate of Chicago is smaller than that of any city of its size in the world.

A committee of the West Side Saloonkeepers' Association, the "most powerful," they said, of all the organizations, called on Mayor Harrison yesterday and said they were opposed to the proposed all-night ordinance. He said he had nothing to do with it, and referred them to the Council.

THE COUNTY'S LIGHTING CONTRACT.

EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR POSITIONS AS ELECTRICIANS AND ENGINEERS.

A meeting of the Special Committee on Electric Light appointed by the Board of County Commissioners was held yesterday afternoon for the purpose of examining applicants for the positions of electricians and engineers to take charge of the machines and engines of the electric-light plants recently placed in the various county institutions. Commissioner Klehm occupied the chair. When the meeting was called to order Commissioner Wren said that he objected to accepting the lights until the remaining portion of the work yet unfinished had been completed. At the Insane Asylum the lights were in bad order, and the illuminating power given by two of the electric lights was not equal to one gaslight. He had not yet seen a room in the County Building which obtained sufficient light by the new system. Klehm said that the electric-light company at the suggestion of the committee had made many changes for the securing of better light since the plant had been put in. Wren continued that he had continually objected to putting the new light in the County Building, as it had been a needless expense. At present many of the wires for the lights were not incased, thereby causing danger from fire, as had been the case in County School Superintendent Lane's room some weeks ago. Holes were also made in the walls and ceilings of the rooms in the building where the wires had been put in, which had not been repaired, thereby presenting a most unsightly appearance. Charles C. Warren, manager of the United States Electric-Light Company, said that his company had only contracted to give the County Building 1,000 lamps, and that nothing had been said in the contract about "sufficient light." He offered to give the board a bond that the unfinished work should be satisfactorily completed if the committee would all agree to pay the first installment of $16,000 due for the work. He also asserted that 10 per cent more candle power was furnished by the lights in the County Building than the contract called for. Engineer McDonald of the County Hospital said the light at that institution was "very fair." The engines which furnished the power were "first class for their kind," he thought, "but the kind was not the best." Engineer Kavanaugh of the Insane Asylum said that the lights at that place gave good satisfaction when the machinery was handled by competent men. The lights often exceed sixteen-candle power. Casselman suggested that the entire 1,110 lights in the County Building be lit at one time, so that the intensity of the light might be ascertained. Klehm then suggested that the electric-light engineer be instructed to get up steam, so that the lights might be tested immediately, but Mr. Warren explained that unfortunately an important piece of machinery connected with the engine had been broken, and the test, he suggested, be postponed until today or some other time. It was therefore agreed to hold the test at some future day.

The examination of applicants for the positions of engineers and electricians was then begun, Mr. Warren questioning the candidates as to their knowledge of electric systems and machines, and Commissioner Klehm and Engineers McDonald and Kavanaugh regarding their competency as engineers. Henry R. Smith, George Ayre, E. M. Pachaly, J. T. Parker, James Conroy, R. A. Drummond, and L. Wittkowsky were examined. In answer to Commissioner Klehm the last-named candidate said that "he very seldom went on sprees, and then they lasted only an hour or two." On one occasion he had "given a party at his house in Cleveland, and then he was not drunk enough for any person to make a remark about it." He denied that he had ever been so drunk that his "head ached the next day." Drummond passed by far the best examination. The result of the entire examinations will not be announced for several days. Mr. Warren suggested that a general superintendent be appointed by the board at a salary of $100 or $125 per month, whose duty it should be to have charge of the plants in the different county buildings. The suggestion was not acted on. The committee then adjourned.

SOCIALISM.

AN INTERESTING PAPER ON THE SUBJECT BEFORE THE PROHIBITION UNION.

The Chicago Prohibition Union met at the Tremont House last night, the attendance being fairly large, and discussed Socialism. A lengthy paper was read by the Rev. Louis L. Osborne, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, on that subject. He started out from the saying that "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread." Socialism was as old as individual property. The discontent among workingmen was caused by the existing inequalities in society, not by the "dense ignorance" of the working classes so often spoken of by public speakers and writers. The ignorance was often as dense on the part of employers. Socialism did not necessarily include blood and fire. It was neither Communism, Nihilism, nor Anarchism. The inflammatory speeches made by Sunday afternoon speakers did the honest workingmen more harm than good. It was absurd to condemn Socialism on account of the exaggerations of a number of lazy individuals. Socialism considered in the true light took issue with the unbounded individualism governing society; it appealed to the State and demanded fixed and not excessive hours of labor, and fixed rates of interest and wages. Selfishness was necessary to elevate man above the brute creation. But society, government, religion, and other institutions were necessary concomitants of progress and they led to a partial supplanting of selfishness by a sense of solidarity with the entire human race. This progress was shown by the increasing frequency of arbitration in place of strikes between classes and wars between nations of men. A state like the one Socialism had in view was coming which would realize the Scriptural promise of the Kingdom of Heaven. Whoever was satisfied with the present state of society and denied the right of the State to legislate in behalf of the working classes was an individual at. Whoever admitted that the present state of affairs was not as it should be, who recognized the presence of commercial depression and the undeserved suffering of the masses; whoever recognized the right of the State to interfere in any degree, with the business relations between men was a Socialist. Every thinker was a Socialist in a certain sense. It counted many great poets, theologians, and naturalists among its disciples. A good cause ought not to be disgraced by some foolish and adventurous leader. Every honest Socialist should draw a line between himself and these people who would murder a millionaire for a fortune as quickly as a workingman for his week's wages. Socialism did not belong to any class. As soon as it was used in the interest of any one class it ceased to be socialism and became individualism. No intelligent workingman believed that all capital was robbery. Capital was as necessary as labor. Corporations and monopolies were not wrong in themselves, but they exhibited a vicious spirit of extreme individualism. "We are not consistent. We declaim against monopolies, and at the same moment cry for protection, which is a regular hatching-machine for monopolies." The time was coming, however, when all men would be brothers and individualism properly restricted. It was wrong for Socialists to attack the clergy. They were really the friends of the workingman, and advocated their cause constantly. Some sort of socialism existed in every honest person's head. The labor question was the question of the day, and its solution required the earnest endeavor of every honest man.

The Rev. A. J. Jutkins traced part of the social evils to the American saloon with the "poison" it sells and its injurious surroundings. The effect of saloons was frequently to make people unable to properly grasp the labor question. This was beginning to be recognized by labor organizations, and the Knights of Labor refused to admit any one engaged in the liquor traffic.

William J. Kellett said the principal evils under which the working people were suffering were the drinking and the tobacco habits. It had been said by the editor of THE TRIBUNE before the Labor Committee a few years ago that if the workingmen of the United States would save the amounts they expended for three things, liquor, tobacco, and worthless amusements, not taking anything off their backs, nor off their tables, nor out of their homes, that in ten years they would be able to buy the whole railway system of the United States in fee simple with all its rolling-stock, real estate, franchises, and appurtenances. The question was further discussed by A. G. Specht and George C. Christian. The meeting adjourned to Friday, Jan. 29, when a paper on "The Relation of the Press to the Prohibition Reform" will be read by the Rev. A. J. Jutkins.

AN EARLY SENSATION.

THE COMMOTION CAUSED BY A PARTIALLY-CLAD MAN ON THE WEST SIDE.

People coming down-town from the West Side early yesterday morning were astonished to see a mad clad in nothing but his underclothing, racing through the streets like a madman and giving vent to a succession of unearthly yells. The strange individual first made his appearance on Halsted street and startled the inhabitants of that neighborhood by a series of frightful screeches. "The devil is after me," he screamed, and then darted north with the speed of a frightened antelope. Pedestrians turned aside, not venturing to intercept what they supposed was a raving maniac. Dashing along the sidewalk at a breakneck speed he was soon beyond the viaduct, and succeeded in creating a great commotion among the early risers on Milwaukee avenue. A valorous policeman tried to capture the fleeing man, but only succeeded in heading him off. Just as the officer was about to throw his brawny arms about the half-clad figure, the latter turned and beat a hasty retreat. The officer, reinforced by a score of pedestrians, gave chase, but the pursued was soon lost sight of. Others joined in the chase until the pursuing party numbered a hundred or more. Over Randolph street bridge they sped and down Franklin to Monroe, where the object of the chase was captured by Officer Mangold and taken to Harrison Street Station. The police were astonished to find the prisoner's eyes closed, and it was not until a vigorous shaking had been administered that he opened them and quietly asked if it was time to get up. Then it was discovered that the supposed crazy man who had created so much commotion was only a somnambulist. He gave his name as Frank Murry, and said he was employed in the Chicago Oyster-House. He worked until 1 o'clock yesterday morning and then went to his room at No. 15 South Halsted street. From the time he retired he says he knew nothing until he woke up in the police station. For many years he had been subject to somnambulistic escapades, and thought the affair was a great joke, joining the officers in a hearty laugh when his ludicrous antics were related. Some one brought his clothing and Murry went to work.

THE MAN WHO WAS CLUBBED.

EDWARD WELTER'S INJURIES SO SEVERE AS TO PRODUCE CONTINUAL UNCONSCIOUSNESS—OFFICERS WIECZAREK AND MOLLAHAN TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED.

Edward Welter, one of the men alleged to have been clubbed last Monday night near the corner of Milwaukee avenue and Paulina street by Officers Wieczarek and Mollahan, is still confined to his bed at No. 37 Cleaver street, where he was removed after receiving the injury. His home is at No. 550 Paulina street. Dr. Kernahan, the attending physician, stated that Welter's wound was right over the left ear, and although he had not yet found any fracture of the skull the injury was severe enough to keep the patient out of his mind part of the time. If inflammation did not set in the wound would not necessarily be dangerous, but if it did appear there would be grave doubts of his recovery.

Capt. Hathaway of the West Twelfth Street Station said his attention had been called to the case, and he had suspended Officers Wieczarek and Mollahan from duty yesterday morning until the case could be thoroughly investigated to see where the blame lay, whether with Welter himself or with one or both of the officers.

John Besan, one of the men in company with Welter at the time, was seen last night by a TRIBUNE reporter, but refused to say anything in regard to the matter, excepting that there was no provocation whatever for the assault on them by the officers. He said he gave a full report of the affair to Chief Ebersold, and the latter would make a statement at the proper time. Welter was unable to be seen last evening, the attendants saying he had been unconscious all the afternoon.

SETTLING DIFFERENCES.

A LITTLE DOMESTIC MISUNDERSTANDING WHICH WILL BE EXPLAINED BEFORE JUSTICE MEECH THIS MORNING.

There is trouble in the household of Charles, and Mrs. Charles, who is as pretty as a lithograph, has called in the arm of the law. Mr. Charles is in an armory call, tearfully indignant. He harbors a whole divorce court in his breast. Wenesday night Mrs. Charles went out to call on a neighbor, and left the baby in charge of her husband. Directly she was gone Mr. Charles is said to have smiled. He is also said to have given the baby paregoric and put it to bed. Then he is believed by Mrs. Charles to have been party to this conversation:

"Maria."

"Yessur."

"We'll go to the theatre."

"Law, what'll the missus say!"

"I'm runnin' this house, Maria; get on your things."

"Law, I can't wear my old cloak."

"You'll find Mrs. Charles' dolman in her room."

"Yessur."

When Mrs. Charles returned she was greeted by howls of the paregoriced Charleslette. An hour later Mr. Charles and Maria are said to have returned.

The girl went in by way of the kitchen-window, while Mr. Charles attempted to smuggle himself and the dolman in through the front door.

"Well, indeed, where have you been, sir?"

"Nowhere."

"What are you trying to hide, then?"

"Nothin'," said Mr. Charles, dropping the dolman and kicking it into the yard. Of course Mrs. Charles said a great deal more, and then, about 5 o'clock in the morning, Mr. Charles succeeded in eluding wifely vigilance and slipping out into the yard, the dolman was gone.

Mrs. Charles discovered her loss in the morning, and her husband confessed. Maria was discharged, and Mr. Charles, indignant at discovering that he was not master of the house, is said to have boxed his helpmeet's ears. Justice Meech will know the reason why this morning.

PRUSSIA VS. POLAND.

A little international trouble, which had its upshot in Justice Meech's court, fell out between Prussia and Poland. Fritz Schnitz, a tailor, did battle for the former and Wilick Flotow played the part of a Polish army with banners. The affray came to an end when a surgeon arrived to extract from Prussia's cheek the fragment of a teacup buried by Poland, Schnitz explained the matter: "Also der man iss grazy as de veemah inzane azyellum, Shudre. Vee eadt togreddor mit, und I says bleasondly, 'vell, dis iss outveerful vedder,' and he say 'ya,' bleasandly.

"'Also vell,' I say, 'venn I de var in fight like vun teffil, ya, denn she is colt.'

"'A, so,' he say bleasandly.

"'Ya, I vight mit die Polacks mit.'

"'Ya,' he say, nodt so bleasandt, 'die Brussian soldiers bin tailors, aindt it?'

"'Dis tailor,' say I, 'iss vun teffil to vight und he hof out enough de Polack pants, ya.'

"Denn he laugh most unbleasandt, und I say, 'Bah, die Polacks eadt rodden appes de var in!' und, py shiminy, he knog me de ten-gub in de face!"

Flotow pleaded guilty, adding that he had thrown the cup on the spur of the moment and in the heat of national pride. He threw himself on the court's mercy, which dropped like the gentle dew of heaven to the amount of $10 and costs.

SUBURBAN.

LAKE VIEW.

The investigation ordered by the Board of Trustees relative to the breaking of the new inlet pipe took place yesterday afternoon at which by an article in a local paper asserting that employés at the water-works had stated that the pipe was broken early in August, that the board did not make it known or make any attempt to repair it till the last week in September, and that in August the board ordered the contractors paid the balance due them. It was further charged that the valves were put in wrong and that the board was guilty of gross negligence in not looking after it more promptly. The Superintendent of Water-Works, the three Assistant Engineers, the Town Engineer, and the diver who was employed to locate the break were examined, but all insisted that their first knowledge of any trouble with the pipe was Sept. 28. The valves were also shown to be in their proper places. Mr. Van Alien, a newspaper reporter of the article which led to the investigation, was present, and at its close said that two of the witnesses had made statements to him that were entirely different. As some of the testimony tended to show that there was a lack of inspection and supervision while the pipe was being put in, the committee decided to invite J. Cole, the Town Engineer when the work was done, to appear before them at a subsequent meeting.

THE MOSSE CASE.

DEFENDANT, ON THE STAND, FLATLY CONTRADICTS SEVERAL WITNESSES FOR THE PROSECUTION.

DIXON, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—This afternoon Mosse was on the witness-stand. The defense showed that Mosse had been killing chickens, thus accounting for the blood-stains found on his clothes. Joseph Mosse testified that he had only seen Thiel a few times, the last time Friday before the murder, and had never seen him since. The day of the murder he came up-town in the afternoon but did not see Thiel. (Three witnesses for the prosecution swore they saw him in conversation with Thiel that afternoon). He went home and staid there all the afternoon, and contradicted several witnesses as to his being near the culvert Monday and Tuesday, but admitted that he went near there Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday on business. He said he had taken a spade along to do some tiling if he didn't get work at Lloyd's; admitted that he had denied having a spade to the officers and had lied about bringing the watch-chain from the East. When he was shown the knife he said he never had had it; that he had traded Maggie Smith's ring (which was found at the culvert) to Thiel for the watchchain found in his possession; and that he never went to the culvert until taken there by the officers.

TRUE KENTUCKY STYLE.

THREE MEN KILLED AND ONE FATALLY WOUNDED IN A QUARREL ABOUT A WOMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Deputy United States Marshal R. F. Riley arrived in town from Clay County today, bringing the first intimation of a bloody tragedy that occurred near Manchester, a little backwoods town in that county, the night of Jan. 17. George and Dan Gray, brothers, with Theodore Benge and Dinks Stivers, went together that night to a house kept by a woman named Kate Harney. They were all drinking, and it was not long before Kate became a bone of contention. The result was a duel with pistols in the little room, which resulted in the killing of Benge, Stivers, and George Gray, and the fatal wounding of Dan Gray. The Harney woman says that the Gray brothers were opposed to the other two in the battle. The three dead men were found lying close together in the little room. Each of them was shot several times. Dan Gray is lying at the point of death, and has made no clear statement about the matter.

THE CHOCOLATE GIRL.

Possibly most of the people who are familiar with the picture of the chocolate girl, used for so long as an advertisement, think it a creation of some artist's fancy. On the contrary, it is a portrait, the portrait of a very pretty Viennese woman, and has a romantic story attached to it. It seems that some years ago a young German student of noble birth fell in love with the pretty chocolate girl who served him with this delicious beverage in a Vienna café. She was a respectable girl and he an honorable gentleman, and he married her. He felt proud of her humble origin, and had her portrait painted by a famous German artist in the picturesque costume she wore when he first met her, and this portrait is now among the most valued art treasures of the Government.

RETROSPECT OF THIRTY YEARS.

THE CHILD IS FATHER TO THE MAN.

"There's a divinity that shapes our ends,
Rough-hew them how we will."

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Pall Mall Gazette: The following article by a correspondent does not lose its point by starting from what we have no doubt is a much-exaggerated estimate:

According to the Philadelphia correspondent of the *Times* about $40,000,000—£8,000,000—is annually sent by the Irish in America to their relatives in Ireland, principally at Christmas, when this year their united amount was sufficient to affect the exchanges between America and Europe. It is a tribute of the heart and hand from people who deprive themselves of comforts and necessaries in order to assist their relatives thousands of miles away. This money is in small sums, generally between £1 and £10, those of larger amounts being comparatively rare. They are sent all the year round, but chiefly in spring, when the tide of emigration flows most rapidly, and just before Christmas, when the dear ones at home are lovingly and substantially remembered. Concurrently with these millions of remittances are, as we all know, made to carry out what the senders believe to be patriotic objects. The same correspondent mentions $100,000 for Mr. Parnell's Parliamentary fund and $36,000 as collected for the Irish Parliamentary Fund Association. These remittances are only from the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, South America, and wherever the Irish penetrate—where do they not?—send their own drafts. When we consider the amount of industry required by very poor people to earn this large amount of money, and the self-denial necessary to devote it when earned to such a loving purpose, it seems strange to us, who have always read in our papers that the Irish are idle, thriftless, and disloyal, to find, by the great fact of an annual love-tax of $40,000,000 imposed upon themselves, that certainly when they emigrate they are neither thriftless, nor idle, nor disloyal to Ireland.

The following particulars were obtained respecting American remittances presented by the papers this week at a country branch bank in Ireland. Besides the information below much more was given. Husband, son, daughter, wife, sister, brother, father, brother-in-law, and debtor are among the remitters in that single week in the drafts taken at one petty branch bank. Observe, "mother" does not appear, from which we may draw the conclusion that Irish mothers do not think of their absent children—a conclusion as true as many others we form of Ireland. The reason is that when a family is about to emigrate the father, son, or daughter—whichever is best suited—goes first, and remits before a year has passed, also paying the passage-money of the next fittest. The mother and the youngest child or children always go last, and consequently seldom remit, except it may be to a married son or daughter. In a single day the writer has seen women present drafts for a few pounds each, sent them by relatives as far apart as Greenland, Jerusalem, Adelaide, Buenos Ayres, and the United States. After the battle of Fontenoy George II. exclaimed, referring to the Irish Brigade, "Cursed be the laws that deprive me of such subjects." Should not a similar malediction now fall on everything which alienates from us the affection of such a people?

Recipient.	Amount in £.....	Time in America. Yrs.	Mos.	Days.	Total amount of money re-ceived.	Relationship of remitter.
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Pat B.....	1	0	7	0	1	Son.
Pat T.....	10	2	5	3	20	Son.
Thomas S.....	10	2	5	0	20	Son & daughter.
Thomas M.....	2	4	0	0	25	Son.
John H.....	1	1	0	0	1	Brother.
Bridget M.....	1	1	0	0	1	Husband.
Betty T.....	4	3	0	0	10	Husband.
Garrett G.....	4	3	0	0	10	Daughter.
Pat M.....	14	2	9	5		Son.
Pat D.....	6	15	0	0	4	Brother-in-law.
Anne F.....	6	3	0	0	21	Two sons.
Anne F.....	5	3	0	0		Daughter.
Betty D.....	1	3	0	0	1	Brother.
Pat L.....	5	3	0	0	5	Son.
Catherine B.....	5	1	9	0		Brother.
Thomas C.....	6	3	0	0		Son.
Letitia Mc.....	3	3	0	0	11	Two daughters.
Mary F.....	1	1	0	2		Son.
George H.....	1	1	0	0		Daughter.
Anne G.....	6	15	0	0	21	Wife.
Thomas G.....	3	2	0	0		Brother.
John F.....	3	1	0	0	15	Brother.
Pat B.....	4	6	0	0	8	Son.
Bernard C.....	8	1	0	0	8	Sister.
Ellen C.....	1	2	0	0	16	Husband.
Mary W.....	1	2	0	0	3	Son.
John F.....	1	2	0	0	8	Sons & daughter.
Margaret B.....	4	15	0	0	21	Brother.
Michael B.....	6	15	0	0	2	Daughter.
Rose B.....	1	1	0	0	4	Daughter.
John R.....	3	1	0	0	9	Husband.
Betty T.....	3	1	0	0		

CHEAP GAS.

THE BALTIMORE PEOPLE ARE GETTING IT AS THE RESULT OF A FIGHT BETWEEN RIVAL COMPANIES.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The war between Baltimore gas companies is a joy to the consumers. The new Chesapeake Company has evidently come to stay—not to be swallowed up as have two other companies in the last five years. The new company's reduction yesterday to 50 cents net per 1,000 feet startled the old company, which thought it had paralyzed the newcomer by cutting down to $1 per 1,000. The old company in a day or two will, no doubt, meet the 50-cent cut. A bill is pending in the Legislature, and will likely become a law, forbidding consolidation of gas companies and not permitting any company to charge over $1.25 per 1,000 feet, the illuminating power to be kept at a regulated high standard. A number of wealthy New-Yorkers are backing the new gas company, including E. C. Benedict, C. F. Fay, and E. N. Dickerson Jr.

SIMPLE AND EASY.

Burdette: The tariff, my son? O, it's a simple thing, if you'll only give it about five minutes study. There is a great deal of talk made over it, but so there is always much talk about everything. The true principle of protection and free trade, for they must ever go together, is this: Whatever you have to buy should be admitted entirely free of any duty, away down to bottom prices, and whatever you have to sell should be protected away up to 120 in the shade. All men of all parties are agreed on that. "Then why do they wrangle and quarrel so loudly about tariff reform?" O, that's quite another matter. That is because they are not agreed on what to buy and sell.

LITERATURE.

"Charles Egbert Craddock's" Novel, "The Prophet of the Great Smoky Mountains."

"On Both Sides"—Recipe for a Novel of Black's—Japanese Homes and Their Surroundings.

Women Friends of Jesus—Elijah the Reformer—Treasure Thoughts—Essays by Prof. Phelps.

"The Prophet of the Great Smoky Mountains"—Charles Egbert Craddock's latest novel that is published in book-form—deals with life in the Tennessee mountains. In the opening scene is introduced Dorinda Cayce, the daughter of a "moonshiner" known as Old Groundhog Cayce. She is engaged in plowing. Here is her portrait:

Her face was grave, but there was a smile in her eyes, which had the lustre and depth of a sapphire and a lambent glow like the heart of a blue flame. They were fringed by long black lashes, and her hair was black also. Her pink calico sunbonnet, flaring towards the front, showed it lying in moist tendrils on her brow, and cast an unwonted roseate tint on the clear, healthful pallor of her complexion. She wore a dark blue homespun dress; and, despite her coarse garb and uncouth occupation and the gaunt old ox there was something impressive in her simple beauty, her youth, and her elastic vigor. As she drove the plowshare into the mold she might have seemed the type of a young civilization—so fine a thing in itself, so roughly accoutred.

Turning another furrow beside her is a man who is "wanted" on suspicion of complicity in a local murder, he having been with the slayer at the time it was committed, though, till the moment the shot was fired, wholly unaware of his bloody intention.

Dorinda and Tyler are talking of a man whom the people thereabouts call "The Prophet," and of whom the young fellow is morbidly jealous. Five years before this Hiram Kelsey had been happy in the love of wife and child. During an illness of the latter he made the terrible mistake of giving it the wrong medicine, thereby killing it. The mother's mind becoming deranged by the shock, she had flung herself from the cliff. Frantic and heartbroken, Kelsey had taken the advice of a friend and for consolation had "turned ter religion." But he is at heart an agnostic, and his fierce struggles to believe cause him intense mental agony:

"'Pears like ter me ez Pa'son Kelsey air more like Thah, an' 'pears ez ef them men what he talks about considerable, an' goes out ter meet on the bald."

"He don't meet them men on the bald; they air dead," said Rick Tyler brutally.

She looked at him in shocked surprise.

"That's jes' his addling way o' talkin'," continued the young fellow. "He don't mean for true more 'n halfen what he say. He 'lows ez how he meet the sperits o' them men on the bald."

Once more she lifted her bright eyes to the shining vapors—vague, mysterious—veiling in solemn silence the barren, awful hights. An extreme gravity had fallen upon her face. "Did they live in thar life-time up nyar in the Big Smoky, or in the valley kentry?" she asked in a lowered voice.

"I ain't sure 'bout'n that," he replied, indifferently.

"'Cross the line in the Old North State?" she hazarded, exhausting her knowledge of the habitable globe.

"I hearn him read about it wunst, but I forgits now."

Still her reverent, beautiful eyes, full of the dreamy sunshine, were lifted to the peak. "It must hev been in the Big Smoky Mountings they lived," she said with eager credulity; "fur he told me ez the word an' the prophets helped him when Satan kem a-huntin' of him like a pa'tridge on the mounting."

And now comes the clatter of hoofs on the road below. Asking Dorinda to detain the Sheriff as long as possible, so as to give him a good start, Tyler is in the saddle and away. The Sheriff and his posse stop at the Cayces and have dinner. Despite the old woman's entreaties to the contrary, they burst open the only door which is locked, but all they find is a "bar'l," which has been placed there "to age some, ef it could be ef alone." In answer to Sheriff Green's questioning Dorinda admits having that morning spoken to Rick Tyler. In endeavoring to force further information from her he threatens her with imprisonment. That night when her father and brothers return from "the still" and are made aware of Mich'ah Green's words they oblige her to cut a cross in the wood of a rifle, by which they remember the grudge.

The story then shifts to Rick Tyler hiding in the mountains. Here is a brief and happy description of dawn: "It came in at the great gate—a pale flush, a fa ding star, a burst of song, and the red and royal sun." Tyler hungers for the sight of a human face. He is out of powder. He grows desperate. He goes down to the settlement, nights, and is overthrown and captured by one Gideon Fletcher, whose sordid soul is afire with longing for the $200 blood-money offered by the State for the apprehension of the fugitive. The following evening Dorinda chances to meet Parson Kelsey, who is returning from plowing, quently seldom remit, except it may be to a married son or daughter. In a single day the writer has seen women present drafts for a few pounds each, sent them by relatives as far apart as Greenland, Jerusalem, Adelaide, Buenos Ayres, and the United States. After the battle of Fontenoy George II. exclaimed, referring to the Irish Brigade, "Cursed be the laws that deprive me of such subjects." Should not a similar malediction now fall on everything which alienates from us the affection of such a people?

While speaking to him, Fletcher rides up and informs them of Rick's arrest. The Prophet instantly denounces the blacksm th for having betrayed the friend who trusted him:

"It air lawful fur me to yearn it," he repeated.

"Lawful!" exclaimed the parson, with a tense, jeering laugh. "Judas war a law-abidin' citizen. He mos' lawfully betrayed the Lord ter the law. Them thirty pieces o' silver! Sech currency ain't out o' circulation yit!"

Quick as a flash the blacksmith's heavy hand struck the Prophet in the face. The next moment his sudden anger was merged in fear. He stood, unarmed, at the mercy of an assaulted and outraged man with a loaded rifle in his hands and all the lightnings of heaven quivering in his angry eyes. Old Fletcher had badly time to draw the breath he thought his last when the Prophet slowly turned the other cheek. "In the name of the Master!" he said with all the dignity of his calling.

The many genre pictures of this kind throughout the book could receive justice only from elaborate quotation. Particularly good is the portrayal of political squabbles between two crusty, narrow old men.

There is a scene further on in the book, in the secret still of Groundhog Cayce. Thither comes Amos James; and here he discovers, sheltered by the moonshiners, Rick Tyler. The following Sunday the mountaineers assemble at the little meeting-house on the Notch. And he, the Prophet, cries out to them, to their intense consternation, "I hev los' my faith! God ez gin it—if thar is a God—hev tuk it away. You-uns kin go on. You-uns b'lieve. Yer paster b'lieves, an' he'll lead ye ter grace—leastwise ter a better life. But for me thar's the nethermost depths of Hell—if thar be enny Hell!" And when, immediately after this assertion the Sheriff enters the meeting-house and arrests him for aiding Rick Tyler to escape, the congregation take his late words to have meant a confession of guilt against the State law.

Micajah Green, who, since the Cayces had turned out and defeated his reelection by working against him, is consumed by a desire for vengeance, finds out from Dorinda's nephew, little Jacob, the location of the spot where is brewed "the Mountain Dew." One night, when Dorinda is spinning, Tyler comes in and asks her if she would marry him, outlaw though he is. Her answer is all-satisfying. And then he tells her the murderer has confessed and he is cleared. He also tells how he was assisted in his escape save by dogs, who, pursuing a rabbit, had scratched the hole in the dirt floor through which he slipped, dropping to the ledge below, hiding in a cave and so eluding capture. She begs him to tell to the Sheriff all he has told her and so secure Kelsey's release. Furiously jealous of her interest in the Prophet, this he refuses to do. She flares up at him:

"An' I tell ye, Rick Tyler, that I'm not afeard o' ye! An', ef ye let a man suffer fur a word ez ye kin say in safety an' an act ez ye kin do in ease, ye ain't the Rick Tyler I knowed—ye air suthin else. I 'lowed ye war good, but mebbe I hev been cheated in ye, an' ef I hev I'll gin ye up. I ain't a-goin' ter marry no man ez I can't look up ter an' say, 'he air good!' An' ef ye'll meet me a hour 'fore sundown, at the Squair's house, termorrow eve nin', I'll b'lieve in ye an' I'll marry ye. An' ef ye don't I won't."

But the next night he fails to keep the tryst. Then is related the raiding of the still by revenue officers. No case is proved against the Prophet and he is released. He comes up one night to Cayce's and finds Dorinda absent and the "men-folks" around the fire waiting—listening. They have discovered who betrayed them to the raiders. They let Kelsey into the secret, but refuse to hear his rebukes—even to allow him to leave the house, for fear he may warn Green of the fate impending. He dissents no longer. When a horse's hoofs are heard he rushes out with the men—rides with the doomed Sheriff, who rebels in vain. They come to the cave where the still has been, through which now a current, dammed by a fall of rock, runs fierce and high. Pete Cayce reaches up to the horse on which are Green and the Prophet. A moment later a figure is flung headlong into the black water. A bowider is pushed down barring up the egress, and the murderers speed away. But little by little suspicions arise, and Groundhog Cayce and Pete go to the scene of the tragedy. "On the surface there floated a hat—Hi Kelsey's limp and worn old hat." And even they, in their dense ignorance, dimly comprehend that the error of that dreadful night was no mistake, but a most supreme and godlike sacrifice. Dorinda? Tyler had proved himself unworthy of her, and she was relentless.

This is the story of "The Prophet of the Great Smoky Mountains"—a work which in its graphic power, if not in ethical insight, is worthy to stand on the same shelf with "Adam Bede." The work is essentially dramatic. Every incident is outlined with cameo clearness. Through all its pages, moreover, runs a true vein of humor. Many clever tricks of description the writer has, whether she speaks of the stars "saining with a splendid aloofness from all things human," or of the mountain "holding its uncovered head so loftily against the sky that it might seem to have bared its brow before the majesty of heaven," or of the early morning when "the rose-red cloud was in the East and the wild red rose had burst its bud; a mocking-bird sprang from its nest in a dogwood tree, with a scintillating wing and a soaring song, and a ray of sunlight like a magic wand fell athwart the landscape." Among the rude, ignorant, semi-barbaric, the author has sought her material. And she certainly has not labored in vain. "Bless us!" cries out George Eliot, "things may be lovable that are not altogether handsome, I hope." And Miss Murfree seems to agree with the great novelist, who also declared, "In this world there are so many common, coarse people, who have no picturesque, sentimental wretchedness! It is so needful we should remember their existence, else we may happen to leave them quite out of our religion and philosophy, and frame lofty theories which only fit a world of extremes." (Houghton, Mifflin & Co.)

"ON BOTH SIDES."

The novel entitled "On Both Sides" originally appeared in *Lippincott's Magazine*, in two parts; the first called "A Perfect Treasure"; the sequel, "On This Side." The story deals with the sojourn of a party of Americans in England, and later the travels of six Britons in America. Mrs. Fletcher, her mother-in-law, niece, and sister, after a Continental tour, are domiciled in a furnished house, while Fletcher père "runs" over to New York. In the midst of these ladies, who are described as "wealthy and refined Americans of the best type," descends a bombshell in the form of a cousin from Michigan. He is slangy, assertive, and atrociously clad, as this unfortunate intruder, in fiction, is almost invariably. He falls in love with the daughter of an aristocratic but poverty-stricken old gentlewoman. The latter asks him his intentions. After mastering his indignation he assures her he has purposed to make pretty Mabel Mrs. Job Ketchum. They are married and come to America. Here a few years later they are visited by a party of friends from England. The experience of the tourists takes up the remainder of the book. As may be noticed, there is really no plot. This fact, however, detracts not at all from the interest of the volume. The incidents contained therein are related with a spirit and sparkle which go far towards establishing the success of this very venturesome international novel. The description of the little menage in Portarlington Gardens sounds like a bit of Dickens:

Ketchum seemed the splendid flower of conditions underneath of in their world—a world in which every ounce of tea was carefully weighed and the caddy watched with a vigilance that was never to sleep from the cradle to the grave, in which a gnawing anxiety as to how much was being cut of the leg of mutton down-stairs was one of the gravest interests of an immortal soul; the cleaning of soiled gloves and remodeling of old dresses religious rites. It amused him beyond measure, when admitted on a sufficiently familiar footing to know of such things, to find that he had been agonizing Mrs. Vane by his reckless way of picking up the poker and vigorously uprooting the fire. She had feebly remonstrated in a playful way once, telling him, "One could not punish a friend's fire until one had known him seven years;" and he had said, "Well, I suppose two can do it if one can't, and Miss Mabie can help me if she likes." He never realized the enormity of his offence until he discovered that, though ostensibly a Christian Englishwoman, Mrs. Vane was really at heart a fire-worshiper. She had a grate half-full of clay-balls that retained the heat and effected an untold saving in her "coals." The sacred fire was built up and renewed at stated hours by the slavey in lieu of a vestal, and then became to all intents and purposes an altar which no one was ever allowed to desecrate by a touch.

The conversations are bright and witty, and there is no lack display of swift, neat fencing, notably in the dialog between Mrs. Sykes and the American Senator. The people of "both sides" are full of individuality, from the young fellow who comes across the ocean with a wonderful Western outfit and a sublime resolve to "make a million in five years in mines and things" to the prim imported maid Parsons, who horrified her mistress by appearing in the same line she adorns at the President's reception. As a rule the book is pleasantly free from exaggeration, but the idea of English servants reading, before delivering, the letters which arrive for their master or mistress is nonsense. Excellently is portrayed the rather startled and dubious air with which the Englishman at first regard Ketchum, and then appreciation of him when they learn how worthy he is "to bear without abuse the grand old name of gentleman." (J. B. Lippincott Company).

RECIPE FOR A NOVEL OF BLACK'S.

In his latest novel "White Heather," Mr. Black has proven himself an accomplished chef. From a stormy Scotch "loch" he secures his salmon. It is washed in Enthusiasm and wiped with Highland intellect; it is then wrapped in "the long swathes of mist" kept expressly for the purpose, and deposited in the kettle of Romance over the fire of Fate. It is covered with the cold water of Doubt, in which has been dissolved a handful of pulverized Picturesqueness. It should cook slowly. It does. Very slowly. The water ceases simmering. The fire grows low—gray. It is poked by an American heiress. Still it barely smolders. Under it are thrust a sheaf of original poems. These ought to blaze. They are dry enough. They, however, almost extinguish the fire. A Glasgow female saloonkeeper rips an end of the cloth enveloping the salmon. She tests it with the fork of Jealousy. It penetrates with great difficulty, proving the fish not done. More poesy. This time, being steeped in rum and champagne, it ignites. The water boils bravely. The salmon is removed, and carefully transferred to a dish. The following sauce is meanwhile prepared: One pint of rich, fresh love; one gill of alleged Chicago slang; a large spoonful of grit; a pinch of vulgarity; a dash of dissipation to impart piquancy; a sprig of white heather. This is stirred constantly till it boils, when it is poured over the salmon. The latter is garnished with sliced prosperity and curled comfy, and immediately served. The dish will probably prove palatable to those who fancy fish. (Harper & Bros.)

IN THE MIKADO'S DOMINIONS.

"Japanese Homes and Their Surroundings" should, perhaps, be amended by the substitution of the word "houses" for "homes," as the work is architectural rather than domestic in design. The author, Prof. S. Morse, was for some years connected with the University of Tokio, Japan, and while there obtained a clear insight into the best qualities of the people among whom he moved. It is quite amusing, and sometimes instructive, when through his Japanese spectacles he takes a peep at the shortcomings or faults of Western civilization. This book, however, as before indicated, confines itself to the description of Japanese houses—the principles of construction, types and varieties of dwellings, the interiors with their decorations and utensils, and finally the water system, and the precautions against fire. There are some 300 illustrations, done by the author himself with a severe regard for truth. It is interesting to learn that in Japan the carpenter is an artist, and that high is his skill esteemed that to call a dentist a "tooth-carpenter" is not far from being unkind that it is really complimentary. The interior of the Japanese dwelling is noted for its simplicity, where art, which is the refinement of the sense of fitness, always prevails. A careful native has calculated that the average rental of houses in Japan is $6 per annum, and the cost of furnishing an artisan's house (exclusive of mats and luxuries) is $5.36. From the general tenor of Prof. Morse's writings one would imagine that the Mikado's subjects were quite as happy as they have been painted by that festive historian, Mr. Gilbert. It should be said that Prof. Morse's book is handsomely printed and has about it an air of holiday luxury. (Tickner & Co.)

RELIGIOUS.

The Rev. Henry C. McCook of Philadelphia is the author of a volume of lectures on "The Women Friends of Jesus." There are twelve of these lectures. The subjects are: "Mary the Mother of Jesus," "Salome," "Susanna," "Joanna," "Martha of Bethany," "Mary of Bethany," "Procla," "The Weeping Daughters of Jerusalem," "Mary of Cleophas," "Mary Magdalene," "Mary the Mother of Mark." Most of these women are considered as representative of a class, thus: "Salome, ambition in women"; "Martha of Bethany, woman as mistress of the home"; "Mary of Bethany, woman's love of the beautiful," etc. Dr. McCook is scholarly and thoughtful. He studies the incidents given in Scripture in their relations and as affording indications of woman's character. He takes a wide view of the circumstances in which each person is brought forward, and sometimes seems to dwell too much at length upon the characters and actions of other related persons. The volume consists of 466 pages, is printed, in large type, and handsomely bound. (New York: Fords, Howard & Hulbert.)

"Elijah the Reformer" is a volume of poems on religious subjects by George Lansing Taylor, D. D., of Brooklyn, N. Y. The leading piece, which gives name to the volume, is a ballad-epic on Elijah the Reformer. There are some twenty-five or twenty-six subjects, such as The Calling of Moses, Gideon's Campaign, The Fiery Furnace, The Incarnation, Armageddon, The Prophecy of Wisdom, etc. There are bright passages in the book which are truly poetical. The Biblical subjects are treated oftentimes almost as a versification of the Scriptural text, and seem too literal for poetry. Many of the pieces have been published before in the religious periodicals; and the author, fearing that some one else might garner the fruits of his toil, has gathered his poems into the present volume, which contains 279 octavo pages, is printed in large and clear type, and is altogether well "gotten up." This is the second edition. (Funk & Wagnalls.)

The principal contents of the *Andover Review* for January are: Education, New and Old, by Prof. Ladd; Revelation as a Factor in Evolution, by the Rev. F. H. Johnson; Louis Agassiz, by Prof. Asa Gray; Data of the Doctrine of the Atonement, by Prof. L. F. Stearns. Among the book notices is one of Fiske on the Id

FOR THE HOUSEKEEPER.

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EVERYDAY BILLS OF FARE.

BY MARION HARLAND.

BREAKFAST.

Farina.
Salt Mackerel, with White Sauce.
Stewed Potatoes.
Creamery Buttered Flour Biscuit.
Cold Bread. Butter.
Coffee. Tea.
Fruit.

Farina—Two cups of milk and the same of boiling water, four heaping tablespoonfuls of farina, half a teaspoonful of salt, a tiny bit of soda in the milk. Heat the water in a farina kettle, and when it boils stir in the farina wet up with the milk. Cook for twenty minutes, stirring and beating faithfully. At the last put in a clean Dover egg beater and give a dozen whirls before pouring into a deep dish. Eat with milk and sugar.

Salt mackerel, with white sauce—Soak the fish all night in cold water; wash it well with whisk broom to get off salt and loose scales, and lay in boiling water; cook gently for twenty-five minutes; drain and lift carefully to a hot dish. Have ready a cup of boiling milk in which has been stirred a tablespoonful of butter rolled in one of flour. Beat into this the white of an egg whipped stiff, boil and stir for one minute; season with salt and pepper, and pour over the fish.

Creamery buttered flour biscuit—This flour is manufactured by the Martha Washington Flour Company, New York City, but most of the principal grocers keep it. Sift a quart into a bowl, mix up quickly with milk—or water if more convenient—into a soft dough. Roll out with few and rapid strokes into a sheet nearly half an inch thick, cut with a biscuit-cutter into round cakes and bake in a brisk oven. They are exceedingly nice. The flour requires neither shortening, salt, nor baking powder and keeps well in a cool, dry place.

Stewed potatoes—Heat a cup of milk to scalding; stir in a tablespoonful of butter cut up in a rounded teaspoonful of corn starch; season with salt and pepper and a teaspoonful of minced parsley; boil one minute and drop in cold boiled potatoes cut into dice. Simmer gently until the potatoes are hot all through and serve. A good way of using "left over" boiled or baked potatoes.

LUNCHEON.

Veal and Macaroni Scallop.
Cheese Fondue.
Bread and Butter.
Baked Sweet Apples and Cake.

Veal and macaroni scallop—If you have no cold boiled or baked macaroni left from yesterday's dinner, boil a quarter pound until tender; drain and cool it quickly to make it the more brittle; cut or chop with a sharp knife into half-inch lengths. In another vessel chop about a pound of cold boiled or roast veal; season with pepper, salt, a scant teaspoonful of curry, a pinch of lemon peel. Into a buttered bake dish put a layer of macaroni, sprinkle with pepper and salt and wet with milk; cover this with a stratum of the chopped meat, dot with bits of butter, and proceed thus until your materials are used up. When all are in, smooth the top layer, which should be of meat, butter well, cover with two beaten eggs, in which has been mixed a teaspoonful of curry wet with cream; strew profusely with fine crumbs, cover, and set in a good oven for fifteen minutes, or until heated through, when brown quickly on the upper grating.

Cheese Fondue—Two cups of sweet milk, three beaten eggs, a cupful of dry, grated cheese, one rounded cup of bread crumbs, very fine and dry, one tablespoonful of melted butter, half a teaspoonful of salt, and half as much pepper, bit of soda, the size of a pea, stirred into the milk. Set the crumbs to soak in the milk; mix with this, when it is a soft paste, the eggs, butter, seasoning, finally the cheese; beat hard and fast, pour into a buttered pudding dish, sift fine crumbs on top and bake in a quick oven until high and delicately browned. Set at once to table, as it soon falls and becomes heavy. You may use one pint instead of the cheese, if you like, putting in but a third as much as you would of black.

Baked sweet apples—Peel carefully and dig out blossom and stem ends with a sharp knife until the core is reached, but do not extract the seeds. Put into a pan, add a cupful of cold water and bake, closely covered until tender. Drain the liquor through a strainer and set aside for sirup. Pack the apples in a wide-mouthed jar or bowl with a close cover and keep warm while you add a cupful of sugar to each one of apple liquor and boil fast without stirring until it is a good thick sirup. Drop in as many whole cloves as you have apples, and pour over the fruit in the jar. Set away, still covered, for twenty-four hours; turn into a glass dish and eat with plain cup cake. If the apples are carefully handled in cooking this will be a handsome as well as palatable sweetmeat.

DINNER.

Russian Soup.
Salmon Pudding, with Lemon Sauce.
Roast Rabbits.
Potatoes au Milan. Cold Slaw.
Graham Fruit Pudding.
Hard Sauce.
Fruit. Coffee.

Russian soup—Make a good clear soup by covering two pounds of lean beef and one of veal (all chopped) with three quarts of cold water and slowly boiling it down to half the quantity of liquid. Salt and pepper and leave the meat in until cold. Skim off all the fat, strain out the meat without pressing it, and bring the soup to a boil before dropping in the shell and white of an egg. Boil two minutes longer. String through a thick cloth, still not pressing it; color with a tablespoonful of caramel made by burning two spoonfuls of sugar in a cup, then adding as much boiling water. Heat quickly to the boil and pour into the tureen. Lay on the surface six or eight nicely poached eggs and serve one with each plateful of soup.

Salmon pudding, with lemon sauce—One can of salmon, three eggs, a scant cup of fine crumbs, three tablespoonfuls of melted butter, salt and a pinch of cayenne pepper, juice of half a lemon and a pinch of grated lemon peel. Drain the fish dry (setting aside the liquor) and mince it finely. Mix with butter, crumbs, seasoning and beat in the eggs. Turn into a buttered mold with a tight top, and set in a pot of hot water, which keep at a fast boil for one hour. The water should not rise over the top of the mold. Dip the latter into cold water to loosen the contents from the sides and turn out the pudding upon a hot platter. The sauce must be ready to pour over it when this is done. Mix in a saucepan three tablespoonfuls of butter, the juice of a lemon, a pinch of grated peel, and the same of powdered mace, with pepper and salt. Heat to scalding by setting in hot water over the fire, then pour on two whipped eggs, beating in hard. Pour upon the pudding.

Roasted rabbits—Skin, clean carefully, and fill with a forcemeat of crumbs and fat pork chopped very fine, with seasoning to taste. Some insist upon adding minced onion. Sew up the rabbits and cover with thin slices of fat pork bound on with pack thread. Roast longer than you would fowls of the same weight—say two minutes more for each pound. Baste freely, at the last mingling a little vinegar with the drippings. Unbind the strings, remove the crisped pork, and draw out the threads from the rabbits. Lay the pork around them in a hot dish. Thicken the strained gravy with browned flour, boil up, and send to table in a boat.

Potatoes au Milan—Whip mealy boiled potatoes to powder with a fork; add enough butter and milk to make a creamy paste, the beaten yolks of two eggs, pepper and salt. At the last whip in the stiffly frothed whites. Heap on a heated pie plate, wash over with melted butter, and brown lightly on the top grating of a quick oven. Slip a spatula under the mound and lift carefully to a heated platter.

Cold slaw—Shred a hard white cabbage with a sharp knife (never chop it!). Put into an ice-cold bowl just before dinner and cover with the dressing, stirring and toss with a silver fork. Beat the yolks of three eggs stiff, adding gradually three tablespoonfuls of oil, and, when the mixture is thick, a teaspoonful of white sugar, one of salt, half as much made mustard, a pinch of cayenne, and four tablespoonfuls of vinegar. Mix the dressing in a bowl set in ice or snow.

Graham fruit pudding—One and a half cups of Graham flour, two eggs, half a cup of milk, as much finely-chopped suet, a cup of currants (well washed) and seeded raisins, mixed; half a cup of best molasses, a spoonful of cinnamon and mace mixed, a teaspoonful of salt, and half a teaspoonful of soda stirred into the milk; warm molasses, suet, and spices slightly together and stir hard until cool; add the beaten eggs, milk, salt, flour, and, lastly, the fruit well dredged with flour; beat up well, pour into a buttered mold, and boil or steam for nearly three hours. Turn out and eat hot.

Hard sauce—Four tablespoonfuls of butter, eight of powdered sugar, frothed white of an egg, nutmeg, and half a glass of wine, cream, butter, and sugar to feathery lightness; add wine, spice, then the white of an egg, and set in a cold place to harden.

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HOME-MADE UPHOLSTERING.

CHRISTINE TERHUNE HERRICK.

The opinion, repeatedly and piteously expressed by the despairing payers of women's bills that the dressmakers and milliners ought to make handsome livings, keep their carriages, and still be able to retire with a competency at the end of five years' business, need not be confined only to this branch of trade. To the initiated the profits gained by merchants in bric-a-brac and furniture are no less astonishing. In the former branch of trade the purchaser is at the mercy of the dealer. Brasses, china, and objects of virtu cannot be manufactured at home. But in the latter department the shopper of modest means ought to assert her independence. That many women have done this successfully let the lounges, chairs, and ottomans upholstered at home, yet wearing a professional nicety of finish, bear witness.

It is unsafe for any one to declare too rashly her utter inability to achieve these marvels. It cannot be disputed that a decided knack in this line is, like most artistic aptitudes, born, not created. But equally true is it that facility in domestic upholstery may sometimes be developed from apparently unpromising material. It is never too late to learn to handle scissors, hammer, and tacks skillfully, and there are plenty of amateurs who have been ignorant of their own powers in furniture making until long after they have passed the age at which mechanical dexterity usually manifests itself. Be as stoical or philosophical as one may, it is very hard to long ardently for pretty novelties for the home and yet to know that with the limited income possessed by a large proportion of women it is impossible to purchase one new chair, screen, or couch that would fit so cozily into an empty niche. For, in spite of all that has been said about the reckless extravagance of women, the fact remains that a majority of them do strive conscientiously to save their husbands' money. Too much has been spoken and written about the improvident wife who expends her nominal lord and master's hard-earned salary in personal finery and the acquisition of elegant fittings for her home. It is high time that a word should be said in behalf of the painstaking wife and mother, who, if she cannot add to the family purse, can at least—and does—save for it. Who knows how often and uncomplainingly she denies herself little pleasures and luxuries rather than increase by a single penny the already heavy household accounts? It is not pleasant for a woman to go shabby herself nor to see her home appear old-fashioned. It takes a stronger quality of moral courage than she is generally credited with for her to look the other way when she sees a handsome piece of furniture marked "A bargain," or to cross the street to avoid passing an attractive upholstery shop. The positive talent for remodeling and making over displayed by some women supplies the place of an unlimited dress allowance. There is no reason why more of the sex should not gain a corresponding deftness in stuffing, covering, and otherwise transforming the time-and-trial-worn "goods and chattels" that stock parlors and bedrooms.

In the business of domestic upholstery the carpenter is the housekeeper's best ally unless perchance there may be some member of the family with a gift for handling tools. Blessed is that home circle which contains such a one! Unfortunately, they are not very plentiful. But an ordinary carpenter will make for a small sum an article that will look nearly as well as one ordered for twice the price from a professed cabinetmaker. This is especially true of sets of shelves, etc. For between $4 and $6 can be procured a neat set of ash book shelves, for half that amount a pretty mantel sideboard with solid back, or costing less if the back be open. Chair and lounge frames may be obtained from the same source. If a not too elaborate design is suggested the work will generally prove satisfactory.

The present fashion of many screens is in reality only a revival of an old and sensible custom. Its mission is to at once conceal and ornament. Where a portière is not available, as occasionally happens, the screen may almost always be made to serve as a substitute. To hide the gaping interior of a chink closet or butler's pantry from the guests assembled about the dinner-table; to shelter a hall washstand where the children stop to make themselves presentable for meals on their return from school or play; to shield the faces of the circle gathered around the fire from the heat of the blaze; to convert a bare corner of the drawing-room into a cozy spot—in short, to give an air of general *nookiness* to any apartment there is nothing like a screen. Numerous varieties of these come ready made, ranging from the low panel of plush or satin, ornamented with painting or embroidery, to the tall, many-folding arrangement that will serve to partition off half a room. Unless one is already provided with one of them. They are too expensive for the moderate purse. This argument is doubly strong because excellent imitations of the articles sold in shops can frequently be made at home at half the expense. With materials and time wonders may be wrought.

For a chamber which is not supplied with an adjoining dressing-room there should always be provided a two-sized screen to shut off the corner occupied by the washstand and its appurtenances. The screen may be elaborate or simple, as the taste dictates. A frame of two panels, made by a carpenter, each measuring three feet in breadth by four in hight and joined by hinges, will cost about a dollar. The amount of material required for covering this will depend, of course, upon what stuff used. Of stout silesia, in cream, old gold, scarlet, or dark green, selling at 30 cents a yard, three yards and a half will be a liberal allowance for one side of both panels. It may be lined or not, as preferred. If the frame is unpainted care must be taken in purchasing the goods to provide enough to conceal the bare wood. It is not difficult to cover the frame neatly. If desired, however, the wood may be stained; yellow pine, varnished, looks well and is cheap, while ash, walnut, and cherry cost a trifle more. If silesia is deemed inadvisable for the bedroom-screen, cretonne does good service.

In the dining-room a felt covering is pretty. This material comes in nearly all shades. For a screen of the dimensions named above a yard and three-quarters will be sufficient, as the cloth is two yards wide. It costs from $1 to $1.25 a yard. It may be employed for the outside of the screen, while the inside is lined with silesia in a contrasting color. A neat and brightening effect is added by finishing the felt with brass tacks driven in the frame about five inches apart.

A very fair imitation of the Japanese screens so much used may be contrived with little difficulty at a reasonable cost. A frame made in three panels, each five feet high by two wide, should be carefully ebonized or gilded. On each panel must be tacked a closely-drawn oblong of black muslin or silesia, and the edges finished with a neat cord or gimp. These panels must then each be adorned with an ordinary Japanese wall picture such as may be purchased at almost any shop where decorative materials are sold. For securing the pictures good mucilage, flour, paste, or gum tragacanth will serve, great pains being taken to paste them on perfectly straight. Any one who has read Miss Pre-ps' ludicrous account of the two girls who papered a room crookedly will understand the maddening effect produced upon eyes and brain by pictures that vary even a little from strict rectilinear.

To those who can handle a brush, "all print," so to speak, "is open." They can decorate silk, satin, plush, or the cheaper though more serviceable matting in designs original or copied. But it may be a benefit to the women who never acquired practice in this line to know that even without artistic skill in handling brush or panel their homes need not remain hopelessly commonplace.

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A TALK WITH THE LADIES.

BY ROSE TERRY COOKE.

How is it going to be a happy New Year? I don't ask this question of men; as long as there are women in the world men will be waited on, worked for, indulged, and allowed their own way. "Children of a larger growth!" I think they will look out for their own comfort till crack of doom. The question is not for children; we all know they are the reigning dynasty, and "Happy as a King" is a proverb. If it is happiness to have submissive parents, tutors, and governors; to be dressed and pampered as much as their little bodies can bear; to "do that which seemeth good in their own eyes," and hold a perennial and peremptory tyranny over the rest of the world, I need not wish a happy New Year to children. Herod the Great is dead! But you, my sisters—not the shrieking or the strong-minded, not the suffragists or the any sort of ists—of you I ask the question and try to answer it, too, after the manner of women: How are you, the throng of everyday, kindly, well-intentioned women, going to be happy this New Year?

First—Leave off your high heels. When you go tipping about on high heels all your body is thrown out of its normal position, and all its carefully and curiously balanced interior changes position and gets out of place; you call it "displacement," but it means "heels."

Take your little French clock and put the heel of one of your old boots under one side of it and tip it up. Will it go? Try and see. You are far more delicately and intricately made than any clock, for God made you and made you with heels of your own; His make—not a shoemaker's.

A distinguished physician and surgeon said to me:

"Whenever a woman, young or old, comes to me for advice, I say first, before I ask any other question, 'Put out your feet.' If they have high-heeled shoes on I say, 'Go home and take those heels off your shoes at once or I can't prescribe for you.'"

"Why do you wear them?"

"Because it is the fashion!"

I give up! This is the final reason, is it? O, my dears! Why will you be such awful fools? You throw away your health, spoil your figures, ruining any beauty you may have by both these processes; and go about stooping, crooked-legged, stumbling, ridiculous objects, whom your adored men laugh at and despise, rather than not be in the fashion.

You can't be happy, because you can't be well until you leave off your high heels. *Do* be happy.

Second—Take off your corset.

I hear a howl of dismay.

"O, we can't live without corsets! we should all fall to pieces!"

"I can't hold myse.f up an hour without corsets!"

"I always have such a pain in my side when I lay aside my corset!"

My dears, do you see what a severe accusation you bring against this article yourselves.

Wearing corsets has so enfeebled your muscles that they are no longer of use to you. If you had never worn them your body, left to the laws of him who made it, would have needed no support. I know one woman, almost 60 years old, tall, stout, well developed, who has never used corsets or heels, and whose flesh is firm and cool, needing no bones to keep it in position except her own. She has never known what "female weakness" means, either in her brain or elsewhere. I suppose you cannot undo wholly what the years of fashion and folly to secure have done for you, but you can have a better future if you will begin now to live like rational beings. Go and buy some of those well-made, new-fashioned waists with buttons to hold up your heavy, draggy skirts; buy them big enough so that you can draw the longest breath your squeezed and disabled lungs will allow, after the waist is buttoned, so loose that you can lift your arms to your head easily; if your side or back aches lie down; rub your flabby flesh every day with a rough cloth wrung out in salt and water; draw your breath in as far as you can and breathe it out as slowly as you can every time the clock strikes. Do you know what that cruel case of bone and steel does for you? It partially paralyzes the stomach, injures the action of the heart by compressing them, destroys the regularity of the circulation and so impedes the heart, and forces all the internal organs of the body out of their proper place downward, and thereby increases the aforesaid "weaknesses" into terrible disease and slow death. Do you know what the celebrated Dr. Abernethy of London, one of the greatest surgeons ever known in England, said about lacing?

"It stinks the breath and reddens the nose." Coarse, I know; but true.

You can't be happy this new year if you will continue to fly in the face of your Maker and pretend to know more than He does, who formed your bodies in His likeness, not in the shape and fashion of French dolls.

Third—If you want to be happy, keep warm. Women are eaten up with neuralgia, say the doctors. No wonder! They sit all the morning by a hot register, and then tie a five by six inch scrap of bonnet over their back hair, a bit of lace film over their bangs, put on kid boots, with silk or thread stockings underneath, and dawdle along the cars with the bold cold wind smiting their temples, their delicate ears, their throats, and the bases of what should be their brains. Their outraged nerves shrink and quiver under this barbarous exposure. But no matter! Their chests are well covered with fur cloaks and sacques, but the cold feet, the numb ears, the reddened temples, the exposed neck, will have their own story to tell. Then you won't wear flannel next the skin. Why? Because your waists will look too large, and it is the "style" to be as near in shapeliness to that delightful and lovely insect, the wasp, as humanity can be forced. Do you really like to ache and groan and to be laid aside every few days with agonizing headaches or panting, laboring hearts? Of course, if true!

Fourth vituperation—Eat proper food. Cake, candy, pastry are not food; they are luxuries. Don't make staples of them. I suppose they can't be eliminated from our fare, for everybody likes one or the other; but don't live on them. Eat good meat, fresh fruit, and vegetables, sweet bread, and drink water or milk for your daily diet. Make the sweet things real luxuries by their rarity. Perhaps you say you can't get good food; then go this very January and buy the simplest, most practical cook-book you can find and learn how to prepare food properly. Not so that it is tasteless and dry; there is no virtue in that. Cheap and tough meat can be transmuted into tender and savory food if you know how. Good food will make you handsome—did you know it? Just think of that! We all want to look as pretty as we can—it is a woman's privilege and power—but bad food spoils the complexion, dulls the eye, pales the lips, and even affects the gloss and texture of the hair.

And then, as most of you think you would be happier for the affection of some man—Heaven only knows why, for you don't deserve it!—know, my dears, that a man's heart lies close up against his stomach; an odd feature in physiology, but so it is, and to gain the one your shortest and surest method is to titivate the other.

Beauty will fade, as you may have heard. Intellect in women is not an attraction or a virtue; don't rely on that; he will only consider you a mass of intrusive conceit. Good nature, even the most thorough, will not always endure with a smile the trials of a long life in the daily detail and hourly distillations; but a good dinner is as the perennial Fountain of youth to her who provides it, like Fatida's ring in the old story, a resistless attraction to every man alive, filling him with a delicious gratitude even more akin to love than the proverbial pity, and an exhaustless source of domestic felicity.

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A PREACHER PARDONED.

HE KILLED A BROTHER DIVINE IN LOUISIANA, BUT CONSUMPTION IS CARRYING HIM TO THE GRAVE.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Gov. McEnery has acted favorably upon the recommendation of the Board of Pardons in the case of the Rev. Benjamin F. Jenkins, who was convicted of the murder of the Rev. J. Lane Borden in De Soto Parish in 1883. Jenkins has pulmonary consumption, and his physician certified that death would speedily result from further confinement. The pardon was also recommended by the present Judge of the court, who at the time of the trial was the prosecuting attorney, and also by Judge Logan, who occupied the bench at that time. Lieut.-Gov. Knobloch did not join in the recommendation.

[This was one of the most sensational murder cases of the period. Jenkins and Borden were regularly-ordained preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church South—the former, an eloquent young man, being settled over a congregation in the neighborhood, while Borden, a much older man, was stationed at Mansfield, a President of the female college. Jenkins was enamored of one of the young female pupils, and, laboring under the hallucination that she had been improperly approached by Borden, ambuscaded the latter and shot him to death. After a long trial Jenkins was found guilty, but without capital punishment being recommended, and has served two years.]

MR. BLAINE SAID TO BE FOR SILVER.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 19.—[Editor New York *Sun*.]—I have received a letter from the publisher of the Hon. James G. Blaine's "Twenty Years of Congress," in which the following passage occurs:

"You will perhaps be pleased to know that Mr. Blaine in his second volume takes strong ground in favor of silver coinage."

Athlophoros greatly relieved me of a distressing attack of rheumatism. After using one bottle I was able to go to work, and I willingly recommend it to my friends and the public. O. Thornton, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad shops, Stuart, Ia.

AGRICULTURE.

Live Stock Is the Groundwork on Which Rests the Integrity of Agriculture.

Feeding Cows to Get Milk—The Angora Goat Question—A Pioneer on How It Was Done.

The Rascally English Sparrow—When Bees Eat Fruit—Citrons and Grapes—Farm and Stock Notes.

LIVE STOCK.

LIVE STOCK AND PROSPERITY.

English agricultural journals, while praising the great average yields per acre of the grain crops of that country, are constantly urging the extension of live-stock breeding. The great average yields of grain in Great Britain are only possible by the liberal use not only of barnyard manure, but of commercial fertilizers in connection with the most precise cultivation. The English have also brought the breeding of animals to the highest perfection—a perfection nowhere else reached except in the United States and Canada.

The reason why the English press so urgently advise the extension of live stock is, that in the cultivation of cereal grain, even with the obstacles thrown about the importation of foreign products, the profits are growing less and less year by year. In this the English landlords are in the same category as are those of countries where the price of land is too high for the cultivation of the coarser grains. The soil must be used for special crops else rents must fall. It is well known that this has been the case of late years, and during the last year concessions have been made to the extent of from 15 to 30 per cent on rents, not only in Ireland but in England.

Live stock is the basis of successful agriculture in all countries, since without manure there can be no crops unless on virgin soil; and the higher the cultivation the better the manure pays. It would seem that England had already carried the breeding and feeding of live stock to the full capacity of the country. England buys largely also of our coarse grains and oil-cake to feed to animals. If the live-stock industry is still further increased England must call upon us still further for feeding stuff. To this our farmers will not object, of course. If England and the Continental countries see fit to throw obstacles in the way of our sending live stock and meats to their countries, well and good. We cannot help ourselves, except that by common consent we can refuse to buy the grass of them. In the meantime there can be no good reason why not only England but every other country should push its live-stock interests to the utmost. That is what Western farmers certainly should do. It is cheaper to send the manufactured product to market than the raw material, and the manure is worth as much to Western farms as to any other farms. No farmer ever got rich selling the coarser grains for market, and only in a very limited degree can they so be used. Feed the grain on the farm and sell stock.

FEEDING COWS FOR MILK.

A correspondent of the London *Agricultural Gazette* has had good success in feeding boiled grain in connection with chopped fodder. Turnips and ruta-bagas he does not like, but uses them up to Christmas, or before they become frosted. After Christmas, the writer says, where mangolds are grown they may be used without stint; but it must be borne in mind that they produce a lot of poor milk, therefore the corn should be increased.

In relation to the feeding of roots the writer states, as THE TRIBUNE has heretofore done, that they have little nutriment and should only be used in the United States to assist digestion and as forming succulent food, much needed in winter. The English method of feeding cooked food is described as follows:

We have our cows entirely under cover or in the yards, for the warmer they are kept the less food they want and the more milk they will give. We give no hay—barley and oat straw are cut into chaff about an inch long, then, again, we put little to market, but convert all our second-rate corn into suitable food to mix with the chaff. Wheat or barley is boiled—they may be mixed or used separately. Put five bushels to about 100 gallons of cold water and boil till the corn will mash if squeezed in the fingers, then spread chaff enough for a day's allowance for your cows, and put in the boiled corn while hot and mix. We find five bushels of corn enough for about a fortnight's cows when roots are plentiful; or, if oats are used, they should be crushed. We find these valuable for milk. Of all green foods I like cabbage, and we manage so as to keep a supply all through the winter.

In the United States the cooking of food for stock is little practiced, and careful experiments have not shown its economy, except for hogs and in the case of sick animals. But for dairy cows the experiment in England is valuable, and it might be well to experiment with the cooking of ear corn, either by water in a large caldron, or by the direct action of hot steam in water.

ANGORA GOATS NOT WANTED.

The most constant reports have been made since the introduction of Angora goats, many years ago, of the great profits from their breeding. Yet, after a man has bitten, he unbooks himself as quickly as possible. Again, the patriotic Angora goat is called on from the standpoint that "manufacturers are obliged to import mohair quite heavily from Turkey and Cape Colony to supply their demands; that goats are more hardy, less liable to disease, and better able to pick up their own living on the range and to protect themselves from wild animals than sheep; that the Angora goat seems to be preëminently the animal suited for the range; that its fleece will bring in a handsome revenue each year, and will live—no man knows how long."

Nevertheless, ranchmen will calmly go on raising cattle and horses and let gudgeons go on nibbling at the mohair-baited hook. The fact is, our agriculture will not yet allow us to work as cheaply as the mountains of Turkey or Cape Colony.

STOCK NOTES AND EXPERIENCE.

In Australia many wool-growers shear their sheep by machinery driven by steam.

Two thousand blooded bulls were taken upon the cattle ranges of Arizona last year.

In a recent sale 160 cattle were lost from the steamer Norwegian, from Philadelphia to Liverpool.

Feed plenty of carrots and plenty of grain, keep the cows warm, and you may have fairly yellow butter in winter.

Breeders in Herefordshire, England, are said to have pocketed about $5,000,000 from American stockmen in the last five years.

Scottish stockmen alone are reported to have lost $50,000 at the late Christmas market at Smithfield on account of depression in stock.

The breeders of Dutch Belted cattle will organize an association for the publication of a herd book at the Cosmopolitan Hotel, New York, Feb. 4.

The *National Stockman* says Chicago seems destined to become the leading market for horses, as it is already for other stock. Not a doubt of it. Give us time.

In relation to the breeding age of mares, *Wallace's Monthly* by investigating found 1,000 mares recorded in Vol. 8, English Stud-Book, breeding at the age of 24 years.

A great many cattle are reported to have been frozen to death in Western Kansas during the cold weather, and the severity of the winter is said to have done a good deal of damage among the flocks and herds of Texas.

Diarrhea in calves is successfully treated by giving the whites of eggs beaten up with water into an emulsion, eight eggs being used to a pint of water, half a tablespoonful being taken at a dose and repeated every two hours.

Remember the young animals are constantly increasing in value, and the better you feed the sooner you will mature them, and to a better profit than if allowed to get poor in winter and require half the summer to again bring them into decent condition.

A contemporary thinks there should be a prohibitory law against feeding brewers' grains to dairy stock. But brewers' grains are not inimical if fed perfectly fresh. The trouble is they are often allowed to heat, even to get putrid. In this case they are nearly as vile a food as distillery slop.

According to an English writer, the pre-historic horse of the age of the cave man, as shown by carvings on horn, antlers, etc., was even smaller than the Shetland pony, had a head and neck very large in proportion to the body, a coarse and heavy mane, and was altogether a clumsy sort of animal.

An English contemporary states that 30,000,000 of poultry of all kinds represents the stock on which the British public depend for their daily supplies of eggs and poultry. The stock may vary on occasion to the extent of a few hundred thousands, but, speaking roundly, the numbers indicated are always on hand, although the stock is in a constant state of transition, thousands being killed every day for consumption, their places being taken by chickens raised for that purpose. It has been calculated by economists who have studied the matter that considerably more than one-third of the 30,000,000 will be for sale each year.

The *American Marketman* thinks that the mutton export trade of the United States is susceptible of a large development is being demonstrated by writers who have carefully investigated the subject. "In France, for instance, mutton is dear—dearer than beef—and in Germany the number of sheep is greatly decreasing, while in almost all the populous countries of Europe cheap food is the great desideratum." True as to the subject of mutton in Europe, but cold-storage transportation seems to have developed the fact that sheep can be delivered in Europe from Australia, New Zealand, and South America cheaper than we can send them. Besides, we have very little surplus of fat mutton.

HUSBANDRY.

PIONEERING—THEN AND NOW.

WHEATON, Ill., Jan. 21.—[Editor of The Tribune.]—In the spring of 1847 I wished to pass from Southeastern Indiana to Knox County, Illinois, a distance of 300 miles. The public roads for weeks were about impassable and the mud unfathomable. The vast sloughs of Central Illinois were dismal and dangerous. I went forty miles to Cincinnati for a steamboat, and made a trip of a thousand miles via the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. Then there was a wagon ride of forty miles from the river to Galesburg—in all a journey of twelve days. The prairies, just burnt off, were black as desolation. Not a green thing—April 19—in a day's ride, save gooseberry leaves on a bush in a warm nook in the small Village of Monmouth. The wind blew a strong gale; severely cold all day. It was equal to any now experienced in spring on the open plains of the New West.

Instead of a twelve-day trip, the distance can be traversed now by railroad in a day or a night. Then a forty-mile ride in a farm-wagon was enough to lame a person for days, and even to endanger the life of a delicate person. Now, on cushioned seat and in a parlor-car one can be in comfort. Then only an occasional mail and no telegraph, but plenty to do, as improved plows and other implements had not relieved the muscle of the laborer. Settlements were then made near streams for wood and water. The region was malarial and all had to be acclimated, which meant chills, fever, untold misery, and bitter medicine. Fields were often but partially harvested on account of prevailing sickness. People ate only the plainest of food, and hog and hominy were the main dependence.

There were few mills then, and hence long delays. Sometimes the water was too high or too low, and a trip of several days was necessary for one's turn to come. Meanwhile the folks at home might parch or pound their corn. Flour was a rarity. Then, too, prices were against the farmer; pork to pay store bills $1.50 per 100; calico, 17 to 35 cents; salt, $8 per barrel; corn not in demand but in small quantities at 6¼ cents, and eggs at 3 cents. Money was the "big-ox," and scarce at that. One well-to-do farmer had to wait a month to get a quarter to pay postage on an important letter. I was most hospitably entertained by the then Lieutenant-Governor of the State in his plain story and a half house, unpainted, and in the spacious upper room I watched from my bed the procession of the stars through a large aperture in the roof made for the benefit of the stove-pipe or chimney. Patched clothes were in fashion then, and there was no foolish endeavor to outshine others. Another week haul of grain was not uncommon then, and wheat only 50 cents per bushel; pay not in silver but in "stumptail." But at length came a change. The railroad came. As by magic old things passed away. Home markets, daily mails, cheaper goods, all luxuries made farming laborous and profitable. Better homes, better clothes, and an electric thrill gave new life.

What do the hardships of making a home in the new West now amount to? Almost nothing. A day or two on cushion-seated cars and you are at your new home. At your own doors are markets and all the necessaries of life—lumber, coal, food, fruit, cheap goods, all near by. There are no long absences from home, no sleeping in wagon boxes, no tavern bills, no desperate efforts to pull out of sloughs, with grain-sacks carried from the wagon on one's back that the wagon may be gotten out. Now, on spring seats, and in regions where no sloughs interfere, the farmer can ride on his sulky-plow, or his reaper, or his wagon loaded with the golden grain. There is pure bracing air, and no malarial taint. No great expense is necessary in fencing in the farm, but at once the farmer can plow, sow, and reap, and his crops are more secure than under the old régime of poor fences, breachy cattle, and mules at large. Only think of it! A farm with 100 acres in full subdued condition in two years! I used to take a lifetime in our forefathers' day in the woods of the Eastern States.

Why, then, are not all pioneers at once successful? Why do some turn back and seek their old homes again? Some seem "born timid" and cannot succeed. Some vainly suppose that great results can be attained without much effort. All they seek is a claim. These sell out, and then perhaps rail on the hardy workers who have added farm to farm. Others buy too much machinery. Some watch the clouds and drone too much. But in the fertile plains beyond the Missouri none who know how to farm and are willing gradually to grow up with the country can fail to do well. But the frail, the fearful, the unthrifty have no call at the front. J. A. BENT.

THE ENGLISH SPARROW.

In England, the home of our imported and pestiferous English sparrow, they have become awake to the fact that there is not even poetry in the pugnacious tramps. Yet lovers of birds can hardly bring themselves to approach the "sparrow question," or the injury done in agriculture by them. Trapping and killing should be practiced at every opportunity. Do not let them increase. Upon the sparrow in his native home the London *Academy* says:

Sparrows are found to do more harm than snakes or tigers. Nature's thieves and vagabonds they are. This is the verdict of every one who investigates the matter. They drive away birds which do more good and little, if any, harm. For every noxious insect they destroy they consumé more corn than one likes to calculate. No amount of sensationalism can find any countervailing advantage. The careful and long-continued experiments of Col. Russell in Essex show that sparrows do unmitigated mischief, and the experience of our colonies and of the Americans confirm the facts beyond cavil. There is really nothing to be said for the sparrow. He carries destruction with him wherever he goes, and leaves devastation to mark his incursions. From every point of view he must be looked at as the enemy of man. Either he must give way to us or we to him, and just now his power is such that he seems in a fair way to become here, as he has already become in Australia, a factor in politics.

FRUIT-EATING BY BEES.

And now an alleged "oldest and most experienced beekeeper" of California claims, and is reported to have shown conclusively, that bees "have the power of cutting through substances vastly more resistant than the skins of grapes, peaches, figs, etc., and that only those ignorant of natural history can maintain to the contrary." The fact that bees cut through even the skin of the grape is not proved; but, if so, it is generally accepted that bees do not attack sound fruit, but only those picked by birds or burst from engorgement. Nevertheless, the advice to beekeepers to raise flowers on which the bees may feed is good. There is no reason why a man owning not a rood of land should keep a hundred swarm of bees to forage on his neighbors and sting frolicsome children.

THE CITRON AND GRAPE.

With the growing scarcity of desirable Government land open to settlement, says the San Francisco *Chronicle*, it is of interest to homestead seekers to learn that in the Owen's River Valley there are thousands of acres of fine Government land still vacant and offering peculiar advantages to settlers. There is plenty of water for irrigation, a good market, a delightful climate, a well-equipped railroad, and in all respects the inducements presented are of a high order. The citrus fruits and the raisin grape come to perfection in the locality referred to, and there is every reason for belief that land that may now be had there for nothing will in the not distant future be worth anywhere from $50 to $100, and even more, per acre.

FARM NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Protect the birds and the birds will protect the crops.

An Illinois farmer kills Canada thistles by pouring a little benzine about the roots.

Maine's last potato crop is reported to be worth $8,000,000. The potato crop of the State is worth six times as much as its apple crop.

The Wisconsin Farmers' Annual State Convention occurs at Madison Feb. 1-5 inclusive. All State and local industrial organizations are invited and should be represented at this annual gathering.

The best way to manage artichokes, now largely raised for swine, is to allow them to remain in the ground, leaving the harvesting of them to the hogs. Enough tubers will always remain for seeding.

The Wisconsin Horticultural Society holds its annual meeting in the Senate Chamber, Madison, Feb. 1-5 inclusive. There will be an exhibition of fruit as usual—always excellent. Premiums range from $2 to $6 on best display, and from $1 to $6 on specimen plates.

A McPherson (Kas.) farmer has 36,000 forest trees, mostly planted in 1879-'80, on raw prairie. The different varieties range in diameter of stem from one to six inches, and in hight from ten to thirty feet. There are also apple and peach orchards, 300 grapevines, and various small fruits.

Winter is the best time to do grubbing, clearing of land, and cleaning out of fence-rows which are grown up with bushes, etc., if done when the ground is not frozen. This work can be done more easily in winter, because the ground is thrown up by the successive frosts and is softer, when not frozen, than in any other season.

A Pennsylvania farmer is reported to have sold last year over $6,000 worth of potatoes from twelve acres. He fertilized with a compost of hardwood ashes and oyster-shell lime, plowed deep, planted medium-sized, well formed, uncut potatoes three feet apart, gave level cultivation and cultivated often. From one hill he took thirty-one fine, large tubers.

Prof. Lazenby has shown by experiments that the average temperature on bare ground is several degrees higher than on mulched soil, though it must not be inferred that mulching strawberries is an injudicious or even an unnecessary practice. But in relation to this it must be remembered that the temperature of mulched ground is equable. It is sudden changes of temperature and alternate freezing and thawing that injure plants.

Tobacco refuse, says the *Gardener's Monthly*, like the stems, is a powerful and

IN SCANDINAVIA.

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New-Year's letter to *Morgonbladet*
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Danish ornamental almanac for 1886
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ious clubs, in all 732 persons.

den of Chicago has an article on the
ighted policy of the regents of the Uni-
y of Wisconsin in regard to the Beauti-
department. Since the resignation of
Anderson the position has been filled by
rother-in-law of the latter, Julius E.
, a young man of talent, scholarship, and
evotion to his work, but the salary not
reduced to such a pittance that a desire
sh the department is evident. The Uni-
y of Minnesota, on the contrary, gives
of its appreciation of a similar chair.
BERTINE WOODWARD (*Auber Forester*).

THE NORTHWEST.

A Telephone Monopoly Badly Sat Down Upon—Death-Bed Marriage at Rockford.

Hunting Evidence in a Murder Case—A Bishop Made a Knight Templar.

Jumped Into a Red Hot Stove—Efficacy of the Prayer Cure—Wisconsin Petroleum.

MATTOON, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Two years ago this city had in operation a telephone exchange operating over 100 instruments, connected with which was the exchange at Charleston of sixty instruments. The people could not stand the exorbitant rates, and gradually withdrew their patronage, and the exchanges were abandoned. The original plant has lain idle for two years.

The Board of Supervisors voted not to build a court-house to replace the one recently destroyed by fire. The citizens of Toledo, the county-seat, have had a mandamus served upon them to compel them to take some action at once.

PARIS, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—George F. Howard has purchased the Paris *Beacon* of A. B. Powell, and will continue to publish both papers. The first edition of the paper under Mr. Howard's direction was issued today.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Jan. 22.—A marriage-license was issued this morning to Alfred Colson and Emma C. Gustavson, both of De Kalb County. The young man mentioned above is on his death-bed here. The couple were joined in marriage this afternoon.

The Rockford Choral Union held its first annual meeting last evening. There are at present 350 members. During the last year the society has taken in $8,000 for entertainments.

CARMI, Ill., Jan. 22.—Yesterday evening Walter Thomas severely cut his schoolmate, John Gillahan, while returning from school, in the Moccasin District, eight miles north of this city.

CLINTON, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The first number of the Farmer City *Eagle* is out. Politicsly it is Republican and is edited and published by Siemmons & Harper, the latter being the veteran newspaper starter of Illinois.

GENESEO, Ill., Jan. 22.—H. H. Hasff, a farmer of Atkinson Township, and former y a lawyer in Chicago, is being tried here on a charge of cruelty to animals. It is alleged that for several years he has made a practice of deborning cattle on his farm and the trial is for the purpose of demonstrating whether or not the process is a cruelty to the animals.

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Mrs. Amy Pemberton, a colored woman of 70 years, was burned to death at noon today at her home by her clothing catching fire from a stove. There was no one with her at the time.

INDIANA—HUNTING EVIDENCE IN A MURDER CASE.

WABASH, Ind., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Aug. 3 last Weedon A. Owen, a farmer residing just over the line in Grant County, was found dead in a pasture lot. The sons of the murdered man were charged with the crime. Two of the boys confessed, but afterwards recanted. As they stuck to their story they were discharged, and no further effort to hunt the assassins down was made by the officers.

Private parties, however, engaged a detective. It is now said he will present to the grand jury testimony which will cause two or three suspected persons to be arrested.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Ex-City Treasurer Pattison, who is short in his settlement of $112,373, has made an arrangement with his bondsmen by which he turns over to a trustee, for the benefit of the city, notes, judgments, and real estate of the probable value of $53,000. Pattison still holds his title works stock independently, and if the Supreme Court affirms the validity of the recent sale of the works to him he claims that arrangements will be consummated by which the city will get all its money.

IOWA—KILLED BY A FALLING TREE.

BEDFORD, Taylor Co., Ia., Jan. 22.—Aaron Cox, while cutting timber near here yesterday, was killed by a falling tree. He was an early settler and was a member of the Grand Army.

KEOKUK, Ia., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The Harrison-Reimer breach-of-promise case was concluded today, the jury returning a verdict for the plaintiff of $500 damages. The defendant's attorneys express themselves as satisfied.

CRYSTAL LAKE, Ia., Jan. 22.—The apron of the coal chute at Laddsdale, on the Rock Island Road, a few miles west of Eldon, fell down and cut off the cupolas of two freight-trains going east. Frank Cresco, a brakeman, was killed, and Will Jacks, brakeman, was badly hurt.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Officers of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Iowa and prominent members of the order from different parts of the State met here last evening in the Asylum of St. Simon o Cyrene Commandery. A feature of the exercises was the induction of the Rt.-Rev. William Stevens Perry, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa, in the Temple and Knights of Malta Degrees. Seventy Knights were present during the conferring of the degrees, after which they marched to the Bishop's residence, where they were tendered a reception and banquet. Bishop Perry is the first Bishop in this country to become a Knight Templar after his consecration.

MICHIGAN—JUMPED HEAD FIRST INTO A STOVE.

CLIFFORD, Mich., Jan. 22.—John R. Moore, a wealthy farmer whose home is near here, during a fit of temporary insanity yesterday removed the cover from a large wood stove and jumped head first in on the hot fire. Although he was dragged out almost immediately he was terribly burned about the face and upper portion of his body, and his recovery is doubted.

HANCOCK, Mich., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The Calumet & Hecla Copper Company has declared a $500,000 dividend, and the Atlantic Mining Company has also declared a dividend amounting to $50,000. The Peninsula Copper Company has reduced its capital stock from $2,500,000 to $500,000. The Peninsula is a Chicago company. The Tamarack Mine at Calumet is doing excellent work.

MINNESOTA—EFFICACY OF THE PRAYER CURE.

OWATONNA, Minn., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—It was reported last night that Evangelist Brown, who is conducting a revival in this city, yesterday visited the home of Mrs. H. Gramps, who has been confined to her bed for about six weeks with gastric fever and consumption. After praying for her recovery she arose, ate a hearty dinner, and in the evening attended the meeting, to the surprise of all. It is also reported that the preacher will go out to the home of Mr. Austin, in Summit, and pray for the recovery of his wife, who has been confined to her bed for over six years, unable to turn over.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—A syndicate has purchased the Stees farm near Lake Phalen, comprising 207 acres. The price was $185,000. It is proposed to reserve eighty acres for manufacturing establishments. It is intended to set aside forty acres for improvement by workingmen employed in the establishments. It is probable the Bohn Manufacturing Company of Winona will remove to the tract.

WISCONSIN—DISCOVERY OF PETROLEUM.

GALENA, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Petroleum is said to have been discovered in the Town of Annaton, Grant County, Wis., by miners while working in a mineral shaft, and a company has been formed to develop the find.

OSHKOSH, Wis., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—George M. Derby, an old resident and retired wealthy lumberman, died today after a painful illness. Deceased had held several offices of public trust.

DEATHS IN THE NORTHWEST.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The death of Mrs. Mattie Bartlett Talcott, cousin of Jessie Bartlett-Davis, and wife of the Superintendent of Emerson, Talcott & Co.'s Manufacturing Company, died today quite suddenly of heart-disease.

OTTAWA, Ill., Jan. 22.—William Moore, a farmer in Fall River, who settled in La Salle County about forty-five years ago, died yesterday at the age of 73. The deceased was one of the wealthiest and heaviest stock-raisers in the county. His farming property consisted of 1,500 acres, and his wealth is computed at $150,000.

A WILD SCENE IN THE WILD WOOD.

Contra Costa (Cal.) *Gazette*: Several days ago two Oakland sports were hunting quail in San Pablo Cañon. Becoming tired and hungry they sat down by the creek and proceeded to take lunch. While quietly refreshing the inner man they were suddenly startled by a crash in the bushes just above their heads, and in another instant a large buck bounded into the creek almost at their side, sprang across, and disappeared in the bushes on the opposit side. At the heels of the deer appeared a California lion. Upon seeing the men he halted. One of the hunters began to shin up the nearest tree at a lively rate, the other blazed away with his shotgun and promptly took to the woods. The lion was now as thoroughly frightened as the deer had been, and it hastily departed. It was a general scare all around, and it was difficult to say which was the most astonished at the sudden meeting on the banks of the creek: the deer, the hunter, or the lion.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

SOUTH SIDE.

256 MICHIGAN-AV.—FURNISHED ROOMS; best table board in Chicago; fine location; no car fare; house heated by furnace.

310 MICHIGAN-AV. — ELEGANT FRONT rooms, with first-class board: terms reasonable

1208 MICHIGAN-AV.—ELEGANTLY FURnished rooms with first-class board.

1714 INDIANA-AV.—HOTEL ROYAL—Rooms, furnishings, and table first-class.

NORTH SIDE.

64 RUSH-ST. — DOUBLE AND SINGLE rooms with board. References.

197 DEARBORN-AV.—LARGE ROOM AND board; also single room well heated

248 OHIO-ST.—WITH BOARD—A LARGE well-furnished alcove room.

DEARBORN-AV., SOUTH OF CHICAGO-AV. —Two very pleasant front basement rooms, one quite large, 15x24, dry and well warmed, suitable for three gentlemen: also one single room for rent on first floor; all rooms front on Dearborn-av.; gas, bath, etc.; terms very reasonable to permanent parties. References given and required. Address Z 17, Tribune office.

HOTELS.

BENTON HOUSE — WARM, PLEASANT rooms, 50c per day. On first two floors over Burckey & Milan's restaurant, 155 Clark-st.

OGDEN HOUSE, 100 FRANKLIN-ST., CORner Washington—Board and room $7 a week: location down-town and first-class.

ST. JAMES HOTEL, 418 FIFTH-AV.—THE best $2 a day hotel in Chicago. Good rooms; good table; low rates to permanent boarders. Call.

SOUTH SIDE MADISON HOUSE, EUROPEAN Hotel, 164 East Madison-st.—Rooms from 62 to $3 per week; 50 cents and 75 cents per day.

WINDSOR EUROPEAN HOTEL, TRIBUNE Block—Is the largest and best European hotel in the city, having 150 rooms, ranging from 75 cents to $2 per day, according to location. Thomson's restaurant underneath. SAMUEL GREGSTEN, Prop.

BOARD WANTED.

BOARD—GENTLEMAN AND WIFE WANT comfortable furnished room with board. Address, with terms and particulars, Y 40, Tribune office.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

AGNEW & CO., FINANCIAL AND LOAN Agents—Business opportunities and partnerships from $500 to $50,000. 154 La Salle-st. Established 1849.

$4,500 buys lease and furniture of 70-room hotel; only small cash payment, $1,500; balance time.

$4,000 buys fine transient hotel, State-st.

$12,500 buys 50-bbl. brewery and property.

$1,500 buys large bakery and dairy lunch-room.

$2,000 buys the best transient house in Chicago; $20 a day, paid a month, $7,000 a year.

$1,200 buys best cigar store in Chicago; $140 a day.

$2,000 buys half interest in office business; $500 to $1,000 a month.

$200 buys half interest in nice laundry owned by lady.

A BUSINESS MANAGER WITH FROM $1,500 to $2,000 to make from $50 to $100 per week in a straight, legitimate business; will bear investigation. Address Y 94, Tribune office.

FOR SALE—HOTEL, TO SATISFY THE mortgage; one of the best European hotels in the city; 50 elegantly-furnished rooms; also billiard-room and restaurant. L. H. WHITNEY, Room 38, 125 South Clark-st.

FOR SALE—THE BEST DRY-GOODS OPENing in the State of Iowa; population, 2,000; only two stores in the location; rent, room 30x80 for rent; very small stock for sale. Address for particulars H. A. RUFUS, Villisca, Iowa.

FOR SALE—BARGAIN—FINELY-FITTED-up saloon. Apply at 346 South State-st.

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS TEA AND coffee business; a rare opportunity for an energetic man; reasons for selling disagreement of partners. Address Z 24, Tribune office.

FOR SALE—SMALL MANUFACTURING business, established three years. Goods of daily consumption sold by grocers throughout the city. No decent offer refused. Previous knowledge unnecessary. Call or take-it.

FOR SALE—CHEAP, A VALUABLE PATent useful, practical, ready selling article, paying large profit; no outlay in machinery required to run it; reason for selling, not time to attend to it. Address Y 85, Tribune office.

FOR SALE—BAKERY AND CONFECTIONery store, fixtures complete; good business. Address Wm. SMITH, Box 38, Dixon, Ill.

FOR SALE—SAMPLE ROOM DOING A daily cash business of $75 per day; established for years and the best location in the city; cheap rent and good lease; the price is $10,000, and must be in cash. J. S. CLARK, Room 20 Metropolitan Block.

I WANT A PURCHASER OF MY CLEAN stock of staple dry goods and notions; will take $2,000 cash and the balance in real estate; stock will invoice about $4,000; this is the best business chance now on the boards. Address F.-O. Drawer No. 728, Kankakee, Ill.

RESTAURANT FOR SALE—DOING GOOD business; in first-class location; good reasons for selling. Call at 570 Wabash-av.

SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS TO MANUFACturers desiring to locate; best water-power in the country; short distance from Chicago; natural advantages unequaled; buildings and power rented upon the most liberal terms. For full particulars address R. BAWES & Sons, Marseilles Water-Power Co., Marseilles, Illinois.

WANTED—STOREROOM IN LIVE TOWN for baker and confectioner, or would buy small bakery in A1 location. Address BAKER, Tribune office.

$500—EXTRAORDINARY CHANCE IN established paying grain commission business; you have absolute control. A 4, Tribune.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

A LIST OF SECOND-HAND PIANOS AT THE following low prices:

SQUARE PIANOS.

1 Stoddard (will do for beginners)	$ 40
1 Ambler & Co., 7-oct., carved case	125
1 Geo. Steck, 7-oct., plain case	150
1 Haller & Davis, 7-oct., carved case	175
1 Chickering, 7-oct., carved case	300

UPRIGHT PIANOS.

4 Kimballs	$150, $165, $175, $185
4 Emersons	$180, $190, $225, $250
3 Haller & Davis	$230, $275, $300
2 Chickering	$250, $325
2 New England Co	$200, $225
1 Vose	175

GRANDS.

1 Chickering.	1 Steinway.
1 Haller & Davis.	1 Steck.

A large stock of new pianos, including Chickering, Haller & Davis Emerson, and Kimball. New pianos to rent. Pianos tuned and repaired. W. W. KIMBALL CO., State and Adams-sts.

NEW AND SECOND-HAND PIANOS FOR rent at 188 and 190 State-st. ESTEY & CAMP.

STEINWAY'S MATCHLESS PIANOS. LYON & HEALY, State and Monroe-sts. Beware of borrowed instruments, both new and second-hand, represented as genuine Steinway pianos.

PERSONAL.

PERSONAL—YOUNG LADIES AND GENtlemen, mail 50c for "Happy Wedlock," one of the purest and best books on the affections, to JOHN BOLE, publisher, Grand Rapids, Mich. Agents wanted.

PERSONAL—IF A. B. GEHMAN OR ONE knowing his address will communicate with A 9, Tribune office, he will hear something advantageous.

PERSONAL—MRS. IDA STEWART, FORmerly New York City, send address to Z 27, Tribune

BUSINESS PERSONALS.

PERSONAL—WE WILL GIVE $1,000 REward for a cough or throat trouble (the last stages of the disease excepted), which cannot be relieved by a proper use of Dr. X. Stone's Bronchial Wafers. Sample free. Address Stone Medicine Co., Quincy, Ill.

PERSONAL—"THE RED BOOKS"; NEW and original, humorous and dramatic pieces for the boys and girls to speak in school; 30,000 copies sold; beautifully illustrated; 6 numbers ready; price 50 cents per set. Send 10 cents for specimen number to EUGENE J. HALL, 11 Michigan-av., Chicago.

PERSONAL—SINGLE GENTLEMAN OF THE highest responsibility and morals de-ires management of property or business for non-resident or single party. Address Z 20, Tribune office.

PERSONAL — WANTED — A PARTNER, lady or gentleman, with capital about $2,000, to enlarge some nice and profitable business; established two years; money secured; experience not necessary. Address Z 15, Tribune office.

PERSONAL—NAT W: COME TO THE THEATRE. I must see you. BESSIE.

OPIUM, MORPHINE, AND WHISKY HABits easily cured with KEELEY'S GOLD REMEDIES by J. MOSHER, 31 Times Building, Chicago Book free.

CAST-OFF CLOTHING.

HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR GENTS' cast-off clothing. Send postal. A. SIMON, 369 South Clark-st., Chicago.

STORE & OFFICE FIXTURES.

D. M. SWINEY, 41 TO 47 SOUTH CANAL-st., manufacturer and dealer in store, office, and household furniture.

ROOFING.

ALL KINDS OF TAR AND GRAVEL ROOFing done and old roofs repaired by J. WILKES FORD & CO., 91 and 93 West Washington-st.

TRIBUNE BRANCH OFFICES.

SOUTH DIVISION.

2200 ARCHER-AV., corner of Twenty-second-st.—F. A. Lenaman, Druggist.
3100 WENTWORTH-AV. southwest corner Thirty-first-st.—A. Braun, Druggist.
3501 COTTAGE GROVE-AV., corner Thirty-fifth-st.—H. L. Monroe, Druggist.
122 TWENTY-SECOND-ST.—L. & R. Simms, Booksellers and Stationers.
3037 INDIANA-AV., corner Thirty-first-st.—Judson S. Jacobus, Druggist.
3038 COTTAGE GROVE-AV., corner Thirty-first-st.—Smith & Hogue, Druggists.
3501 COTTAGE GROVE-AV., corner Thirty-ninth-st.—Hubbard & Gore, Druggists.
3540 STATE-ST.—Hale Bliss, Druggists and Chemists.
358 STATE-ST.—Hugo W. C. Martin, Druggist.
3160 STATE-ST.—Wilson Young, Druggist.
347 WABASH-AV.—Thomas Lawrence, Newsdealer.
1734 WABASH-AV.—Soren, Mathieson & Co., Prescription Druggists.
2035 SOUTH HALSTED-ST.—C. L. Schaar, Druggist.
4341 SOUTH HALSTED-ST., corner Gordon.—Ritter & Ackerman, Druggists.
2401 INDIANA-AV., corner Twenty-fourth-st.—H. W. Buchman, Pharmacist and Chemist.
620 THIRTY-FIRST-ST., corner Wallace—A. Kussman, Druggist.

WEST DIVISION.

180 WEST MADISON-ST., southwest corner Halsted—Ebert's Pharmacy.
276 WEST MADISON-ST., corner Morgan—Dell & Co., Druggists.
384 WEST MADISON-ST., corner Centre-av.—Geo. A. Moffett, Druggist.
460 WEST MADISON-ST., corner Loomis—Star Pharmacy.
672 WEST MADISON-ST., corner of Ogden-av.—Max Behrend, Druggist.
641 WEST MADISON-ST., corner of Paulina—H. F. Kraft, Druggist.
820 WEST MADISON-ST., corner Hoyne-av.—Chas. L. True, Druggist.
1002 WEST MADISON-ST., corner Western-av.—John Myers, Druggist.
622 SOUTH HALSTED-ST.
622 WEST TWELFTH-ST. } F. A. Druehl, Druggist.
734 SOUTH HALSTED-ST., corner of Adams—James M. Kirkler & Co., Druggists.
581 OGDEN-AV.—Th. Sonnechsen, Druggist.
724 WEST LAKE-ST., northwest corner of Lincoln—Armbrecht Bros., Druggists.
693 WEST LAKE-ST., northwest corner Paulina—R. T. Sill, Druggist.
883 MILWAUKEE-AV.
433 MILWAUKEE-AV. } Henry Schroeder, Druggist
208 and 208 MILWAUKEE-AV., corner Halsted-st.—Geo. S. Mil er & Co., Druggists.
655 WEST VAN BUREN-ST., corner Latin—C. L. Clauss, Druggist.
744 WEST VAN BUREN-ST., corner Robey—Charles E. Button, Druggist.
703 WEST MADISON-ST., corner Marshfield-av.—C. J. True, Druggist.
872 WEST INDIANA-ST., near Noble—John Ritter Druggist.

NORTH DIVISION.

139 NORTH CLARK-ST., corner of Ohio—Gale & Blockl, Druggists.
445 NORTH CLARK-ST., corner Division—A. S. Cowan, Druggist.
675 LARRABEE-ST., corner Garfield-av.—F. M. Williams & Co., Druggists.
974 NORTH CLARK-ST., corner Webster-av.—Frank Schraze, Druggist.
420 LINCOLN-AV.—Bischoff's Pharmacy.
236 NORTH MARKET-ST., corner Oak.—Hubachek & Buchman, Prescription Druggists.
930 NORTH HALSTED-ST., corner Garfield-av.—C. W. Collins.
722 LINCOLN-AV.—John A. Braun, Druggist.

SUBURBAN.

CORNER WENTWORTH-AV. AND CHESTNUT-ST.—Englewood Eye Office.
GEORGE W. MUIR, Bookseller, Stationer, and Newsdealer.

UNION STOCK-YARDS.

4341 SOUTH HALSTED, corner Gordon-st.—Ritter & Ackerman, Druggists.

LAKE VIEW.

EVANSTON-AV., near Diversy-st.—C. S. Wells, Post-Office and Druggist.
722 LINCOLN-AV.—John A. Braun, Druggist.

RAVENSWOOD.

W. H. BRYAN, Real Estate, Insurance, and General Merchant.

HYDE PARK.

J. D. SHERMAN, Fifty-third-st. and Lake-av.

LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND — "THE RED BOOKS"; JUST what the boys and girls want. See business personals.

LOST—A PAIR OF SHEARS AND SILVER thimble in the vicinity of Cottage Grove-av. and Thirty-fifth-st. Finder please advise 40 Thirty-fifth.

SITUATIONS—MALE.

BOOKKEEPERS AND CLERKS.

SITUATIONS WANTED—STENOGRAPHERS and typewriter operators furnished to businessmen. Chicago Typewriter Ag'cy, 79 Dearborn, R. 30.

SITUATION WANTED—A WIDOW LADY of Chicago wishes to get a situation for her son, who is and has been for 5 years in the Mileage department of an Eastern railroad. Unexceptionable references. Address A. B., 10 Sixteenth-st.

SITUATION WANTED—A CLERICAL POSition by young man; good penman, accurate calculator, and thorough bookkeeper and correspondent. Excellent testimonials. Z 25, Tribune office.

SITUATION WANTED—BY A REGISTERED druggist of some sixteen years' experience in city retail trade with responsible parties; is thoroughly competent to manage a large business. Best reference in the city. No objection to leaving the city. Address Z 26, Tribune office.

SITUATION WANTED—BY A THOROUGHly experienced and first-class office man, aged 27 years, as cashier, bookkeeper, or collector. Highest testimonials. Address Z 36, Tribune office.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SITUATION WANTED—BY YOUNG SWEDE in hotel or store; speaks German, English, and French. Address S 61, Tribune office.

SITUATION WANTED—BY PROFESSIONAL male nurse and masseurer; large experience. Address HASKELL, 836 West Madison-st.

SITUATION WANTED—BY A YOUNG MAN familiar with loan and collection business; will give $5,000 bond if required. Address Y 67, Tribune.

SITUATION WANTED—BY A SILK MAN of 12 years' experience in the best house on State-st., who is desirous of making a change, to take charge of and manage a silk department. Address Y 92, Tribune office.

SITUATIONS—FEMALE.

DRESSMAKERS.

SITUATION WANTED—BY A THOROUGHly competent cutter and fitter capable of taking charge of large dressmaking establishment. Al references. Address Z 9, Tribune office.

NURSES.

SITUATION WANTED—BY A PERSON OF great experience with invalids or children from their birth; willing to go South; highest verbal references. Address W 49, Tribune office.

SITUATION WANTED—BY A GIRL 15 years old to take care of a little child or help lady about the house; no objection to the country; wages not so much of an object as a good home. Address Y 78, Tribune office.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SITUATION WANTED—BY A YOUNG LADY as stenographer and typewriter; can refer to present employers. Address Y 85, Tribune office.

SITUATION WANTED—BY LADY STENOGrapher and typewriter, permanent, with some good business house or insurance company. Good references. Y 95, Tribune office.

SITUATION WANTED—BY SINGLE LADY desires position as companion for elderly lady, or to take care of children; salary no object. Z 38, Tribune office.

WANTED—MALE HELP.

BOOKKEEPERS AND CLERKS.

WANTED—YOUNG MAN AS ASSISTANT in an office; must be accurate in figures and write a good hand. Also state references. Address Z 36, Tribune office.

WANTED—BY A MANUFACTURING ESTablishment, a young man as bill clerk and bookkeeper. Neat, accurate, and with good recommendations. Address in own handwriting; give all references and parcessalary, which must be low, Z 15, Tribune office.

WANTED—A CLERK IN CHICAGO COMpetent to manage a branch business. Creolite Company, Pittsburg, Pa.

SALESMEN.

WANTED—FOR ACTIVE RETAIL TRADE, a salesman posted in laces, embroideries, and notions. Address with references Z 21, Tribune office.

WANTED—TWO FIRST-CLASS TRAVELing salesmen to represent our house; also salesmen representing other goods who may desire to add to their lines. Address SCHUYLER & HADDUCK, 35 Michigan-av., Chicago.

WANTED—TO TRAVELING MEN WHO Call on grocers—Liberal commissions on our entire wheat flour; sold in every State; send for circular. Appleton Mills Company, 154 Lake-st., Chicago.

TRADES.

WANTED—FOREMAN FOR WOOD-WORKing shop; one who understands house-finishing work in all its branches and is a pusher. Address, giving age, previous experience, and references, Y 88, Tribune office.

WANTED—A RELIABLE WATCHMAKER, with tools. Must be good workman; knowledge of letter engraving desired, but not a necessity. CHAS. S. STIFF'S Little Rock, Ark.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED—MEN AND WOMEN TO START a new business at their homes; can be done evenings and learned in an hour; any person making less than 10c to 20c an hour should send 10c at once for a package of samples of goods, and 24 working samples (formulas) to commence on. Address Albany Supply Co., Albany, N. Y.

WANTED—YOUNG MEN TO DELIVER circulars; must be faithful and industrious workers and bring good references; salary $7 per week and a commission. Apply only from 8 to 10 a. m. or 4 to 6 p. m. Room 2, 130 La Salle-st.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

DOMESTICS.

WANTED—AT 2223 PRAIRIE-AV., COMpetent Scandinavian or German cook and sundress.

DRESSMAKERS.

WANTED—A THOROUGHLY COMPETENT and experienced dress and cloak maker capable of taking charge of a suite of rooms (employing from 10 to 20 persons) in a dry-goods house catering to a first-class trade. Address, stating present and past business experience, salary expected, etc., A. W. RICH & CO., Milwaukee, Wis.

SEAMSTRESSES.

WANTED—A SEWING TEACHER FOR the Industrial School at the Home for the Friendless. Applicants please meet the committee at the home on Tuesday, Jan. 26, at 10 o'clock a. m.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED—LADIES OR YOUNG MEN—Something entirely new (no photo painting)? $1 to $3 a day can be quietly made at your own homes; no canvassing; full particulars free. Address at once, Crescent Art Co., 19 Central-st., Boston, Mass. Box 5,170

TO RENT—FLATS.

SOUTH SIDE.

TO RENT—ELEGANTLY-FURNISHED flats, 7 rooms, or in 3 and 4 rooms, state-st., near Van Buren, east side. 175 Madison-st., Room 9.

TO RENT—WARM, 3-ROOM FLATS, STATE, near Thirty-fifth-st.; rent $10 to $12. D. HARRY HAMMER, 153 Washington-st.

TO RENT—ROOMS.

SOUTH SIDE.

TO RENT—FURNISHED, WARM ROOM, 2 gentlemen; single room, cheap; inside room for two, $1.50 each. Easy walking distance; no cold rides in street-cars. 400 Wabash-av., up stairs.

TO RENT—91 DEARBORN-ST., NICELY furnished rooms, single or en suite.

TO RENT—PRIVATE FAMILY—TWO large, newly-furnished second story front and back rooms, with gas and heat; bath and water-closet adjoining; very reasonable. 25 East Sixteenth-st.

TO RENT—TWO ELEGANTLY-FURNISHED rooms at 2228 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS, EN SUITE or single. 241 Wabash-av.

TO RENT—NICELY-FURNISHED DOUBLE front rooms, also single. 105 East Adams-st.

NORTH SIDE.

TO RENT—55 PINE-ST., PLEASANT FURnished front rooms; modern conveniences. References.

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DISGRUNTLED DEMOCRATS

The Administration Now Harvesting the Mugwump Crop Sowed in 1884.

Hendricks Dead, Thurman Retired, Curtin Snubbed, and Dudes Ushered into the Front Pews.

Dissecting Perry Belmont—Beck and Eustis Defying the Powers That Be—The Late Miss Bayard.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 20.—[Special Correspondence of The Tribune.]—This Administration is now harvesting the mugwump crop sowed during the Presidential campaign. The Democratic party is badly disorganized. After waiting twenty-five years several old leaders with hosts of followers have been passed over. This is certainly discouraging to those whose remaining years are few. The mugwump element arrayed against the "boy" Administration is composed of stalwart Democrats old in years and experience. Both Thurman and Curtin are septuagenarians in "the last scene of all." For all such Hendricks was considered a mediator with Cleveland. Their hopes were buried with the Vice-President. Suave and starched, he represented the old Democracy with all the cunning of the new. He signed the petition of every candidate for office with a readiness delightful to the applicant. He diligently frequented the departments as the officeseeker's champion. Tireless himself, he exhausted the patience of both President and Secretaries. He asked more and got less than any other leader. This was his aim. When his requests were pigeon-holed or chucked into waste-baskets he smiled blandly. Hordes of disgruntled Democrats swarmed around him. His tally-sheet showed his game a winning one. When the summer heats dispersed the armies besieging the Executive Department King Hendricks' disbanded forces proclaimed his merits far and wide. For Cleveland they had only a growl. But the game was triangular. The "Man of Destiny" had a silent partner with a checkmate in reserve. Death stepped in. The poor old gentleman's plans were nipped in the bud. The barnacles lost their chief and the country a right good Vice-President.

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Towering above the majority of his associates, the old-fashioned head of Congressman Curtin is more noticeable than any in the House of Representatives. Always a conspicuous member, this Pennsylvanian divides with ex-Speaker Randall the chief attention of visitors to Congress. His head is long and narrow, his face is clean-shaven, and his features, though handsome, are irregular. The air of distinction peculiar to him is uncommon in this day. Altogether he is a fine specimen of the olden-time politician. In a crowd of moderns, ex-Gov. Curtin stands like a departed statesman, peering down from the hallowed past into the commonplace present. In repose his face wears an expression not unlike Lincoln's. Though now and again sad and contemplative, it quickly relaxes into beaming jollity. The old gentleman is very convivial, and sometimes in conversation becomes noisy. He belongs to a generation in which evasion was considered synonymous with cowardice. Therefore, although his advisers prevailed upon him to suppress intemperate utterances to Congress, they have been powerless to silence expressions of resentment in private. Unrestrained he bubbles over with indignation. He defies the Speaker, defies the Administration, defies the moneyed powers of New York. Few blame him. Randall the while chuckles and grows fat. His colleague has the spunk to make the ex-Speaker's rivals squirm.

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The substitution of Perry Belmont for Gov. Curtin as Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee was most unhappy. Similar displacement is without precedent. The master was ousted to make room for the apprentice. Sunset Cox was gotten out of his little colleague's way by a present of the mission to Turkey. He had become a nuisance generally and had played the clown too long. August Belmont was the first of the name known to fame. Dusky and unsubstantial stories are told of his birth. Ties of business if not of consanguinity bind him to the Rothschilds. Hence his un-American policy. He married a lady of the famous naval family. Thus the son, Perry, has a pure old strain of American blood mingling with that of German-Hebrews. Schönberg or some other was their name; but Belmont sounds better, so Belmont it became. Perry Belmont is bright and shrewd. He has the business turn of his father's with the political knack of his mother's race. From the latter comes the young man's pluck; from the former an instinct for advertising. This he first showed by an effort to insult Mr. Blaine. The consequent notoriety gratified Belmont. He has a collegiate education. Quiet in manner and dress, he looks like a clerk. A well-trained boxer, his physical matches his moral courage. Engaged some years ago to one of the loveliest of New York's favored circle, his betrothal was called off by the publication of an alleged prior marriage. He recently caused a sensational scene in an opera box in New York, where he was surprised by an indignant husband, to whose wife Belmont was making desperate love. There is a striking similarity between the attitude of Perry Belmont in the politics of this country and that of Randolph Churchill in England. Both are half-plebeian, half-patrician in birth. Both, though aristocrats at heart, pose as democrats. It now looks as if, giddied by premature prominence, Perry Belmont has overreached himself. Gov. Curtin inherits Irish grit. Death only will check his hunt of Belmont. Even then he will leave a legacy of hatred.

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The clique of gold cannot coerce Congress. This is now crudely admitted by the single-standard advocates. The pressure of constituencies will prevail against the Wall street cabal. Senator Beck of Kentucky is the special spokesman of the silver men. He is of Scotch birth and humble beginnings. Scotchmen are accused of being parsimonious. Their reluctance to spend gives rise to many stories. One rich old Highlander complained that he had not been in London a day before the d—d Englishmen got a sixpence out of him, and that he had to walk a mile to avoid paying a cent toll on London bridge. But economy is apt to be the forerunner of thrift, and thrift of general success. The Scotch make good citizens. They are natural financiers. Senator Beck is one of the ablest in Congress. He is straight and tall, with the ruggedness of an oak. His address accords well with his looks, being blunt sometimes to gruffness. He is the kind of man to awaken confidence rather than affection. Totally unlike most Kentuckians, his are the practical qualities and steadiness of the canny Scotchman. The earnestness of his voice and manner when speaking is more persuasive than flowery rhetoric. His chief power lies in the clearness with which he presents his knowledge on financial questions difficult to grasp. The tyro can run and read understandingly all Senator Beck's utterances. He presents his propositions without oratorical adornment. Simplicity of speech is pure Anglo-Saxon like he admit of no misinterpretation. A powerful voice and frame combine to give effect to his statements. They come from him like the strokes of a sledge-hammer, resounding and crushing as they fall. Beck suggests the sturdy smite, and hence it becomes him well to advocate the "cart-wheel dollar."

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Senator Eustis has made a dignified protest against the silver position of the Executive. This Louisianian was the first Democrat to throw down the gauntlet to the powers that be. He is a solid, middle-aged man of medium height. No Senator has a more prepossessing address. He and his colleague are at daggers' point. Senator Gibson is an accomplished man of the world and represents more particularly the old régime; Senator Eustis the practical elements. Both were Confederate Generals. Gibson is a courtier. Eustis would command court. Both are lawyers and scholarly speakers. Senator Eustis is exceedingly suave and has a rich, sonorous voice. In his silver speech he arraigned the Administration for dereliction to truth in disregarding the financial views of the majority. He did not mince matters, but added impressiveness to his speech by unimpassioned delivery and discreet language.

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Ex-Senator Thurman's name is more frequently mentioned with praise than that of any statesman in or out of office. Whenever prominent men are assembled in social intercourse the universal respect for him is shown by frequent expressions of regret at his absence. His omission from the Cabinet continues to be a subject of unfavorable comment. Republicans share equally with Democrats this esteem for Thurman. With the exception of Mr. Blaine, no public man is so much missed. Generally kaleidoscopic, Washington cares little who retires or who remains. He who makes such a gap in leaving the Capital must possess uncommon qualities of mind and heart. It is certain that Judge Thurman's mental vigor and sturdy integrity are fully valued here, where official corpses find willing burial.

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The leading jurist of the Senate and the ablest of the Supreme Judges have both recently praised Judge Thurman, ranking him foremost among living lawyers. Each paid the Ohio veteran a tribute of affection, doubly graceful as coming from political opponents, both being stanch Republicans. From the same source I gather that Chief-Justice Coleridge is a legal charlatan, with none but social attainments. He was a main attraction of the big "It's English-you-know" circus combination, which had Langtry and Oscar Wilde as side-shows. They all went home jingling American shekels in their pockets and laughing in their sleeves at American gullibility. When Chief-Justice Waite visited England people there did not make fools of themselves, but, contrary to report, received him with appropriate attentions and dignified hospitality. Senator Edmunds gives a delightful account of Gladstone's social qualities, ranking the ex-Premier as a first-rate dinner companion. The English statesman has inexhaustible cheerfulness and versatility. He appears in company to dismiss all cares of state and politics. The deliberation with which he eats makes him a good listener as well as talker. He attributes his fine digestion to the fact that he masticates each mouthful three dozen times.

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Senator Edmunds says he did not request Minister Phelps' appointment. This envoy is not a fit American representative if, as his friends admit, he approves of the English Constitution in toto. Nor is Pendleton a bit better. Politically, he is what the saloonmen would call a "back-door" reformer. Socially, he is more of a prig than a gentleman. Exceedingly shallow, a king of knobocracy, neither aggressive nor broad, never liberal, "Gentleman George" is a misnomer and Pendleton a sham statesman. He belongs to the most harmful element in American public life. They are silly matadores goading the communistic bull and prancing on skeleton backs. They misrepresent the favored classes and prejudice the masses. They preach temperance and suck cloves. They affect morality, but retard progress.

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One thing the Washington society correspondents seem to lack is a knowledge of horseflesh and equestrian art. If you, like many others, have been told that a younger sister, and not the late Miss Bayard, has been the only accomplished horsewoman in the family, you have been misinformed. I have seen Miss Kate Bayard start out in the dim light of a winter's morning, seen her ride all day with the foremost hunters, and seen her clearing every barrier, dashing down narrow cuts and up steepest ascents, over thickets, through underbrush, and plowed fields. A more intrepid rider never followed the hounds. She never flinched, despite nearsightedness, which made her courage and horsemanship more remarkable. I have known her to return after a day of continuous hard riding only in time to doff her habit and don a ball-dress to dance all night, shining also in the "maze of graze de Chambery and the hum of the smallest of talk."

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Thus I saw her last. In the hour after midnight she was still surrounded by brilliant throngs, herself the gayest of the gay. Before the sun had set that day she lay dead. The gay world is heartless, but for once it stood appalled. It is awful to be thus summoned from the vortex of gayeties into the mysteries of eternity. Katherine Lee Bayard was a wonderful woman. In appearance she was like a figure in a Watteau picture. She was picturesque rather than beautiful. Piquancy and versatility were her striking attributes. The range of her reading was wide, and her study of life constant. There was nothing of the blue-stocking in her composition. She read, as she did everything, for amusement. Her knowledge of human nature was uncommon in one so young. Delusions were unknown to her. She had drawn aside the curtain and looked behind the scenes. Herself a fine amateur in acting, she was quick to discriminate between pretense and reality. Senator Bayard enjoyed in her a companion and an adviser. During her mother's long illness Miss Bayard represented the Senator and the Premier's wife in turn, relieving her parents of social perplexities. A more triumphant look never shone in woman's eye than that she cast around her when she appeared leaning on the President's arm at the first state function last spring. No one burned with intenser ambition than this spirited girl. Some of Miss Bayard's tastes were Bohemian, although she despised Bohemianism. With impulses mostly generous, she was also sometimes scathingly sarcastic. Proud and independent, she resisted the constraint of conventionalities. Her love of novelty once led her to camp for a time among gypsies, and she even interested herself in them to the extent of studying their language. The romance of her life cannot now be told. She seemed capable of loving—as she rode—desperately. Her face was generally wreathed in smiles, and as the embodiment of joyfulness Miss Katherine Bayard and death seem irreconcilable.

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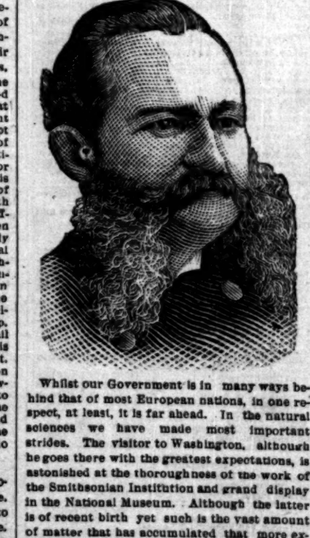
When last here Minister Winston was accosted by an old friend, who, after complimenting the Chicagoan on his prominence in Democratic councils, added: "And, Winston, that appointment of your son as Minister to Persia is a nice thing for Fred. It will give the boy a fine start, being a very suitable place for a youth to begin a diplomatic career." Painful explanations followed. Apropos of "things one would rather have left unsaid," a New England lady, newly come here, has capped the best. A caller admired this millionaire's little girl, to which compliment the fond mother replied: "Yes, my daughter is so beautiful that I am thinking of taking her abroad to be painted by the old masters." CHARLES P. BRYAN.

COMMANDER ZERA L. TANNER.

SELECTED BY THE WAR DEPARTMENT TO MAKE A SURVEY OF THE WATERS OF THE BAHAMA GROUP OF ISLANDS.



Whilst our Government is in many ways behind that of most European nations, in one respect, at least, it is far ahead. In the natural sciences we have made most important strides. The visitor to Washington, although he goes there with the greatest expectations, is astonished at the thoroughness of the work of the Smithsonian Institution and grand display in the National Museum. Although the latter is of recent birth yet such is the vast amount of matter that has accumulated that more extensive accommodations are urgently necessary. To Prof. Baird much of the good results are due, and to him, more than any one else, is due the overwhelming success of our fish display in the Berlin Fishery Exposition. It has been determined by the Navy Department to make a thorough hydrographic survey of the intricate and dangerous waters of the Bahama group. For this important duty Prof. Baird recommended Zera L. Tanner, who obtained such favorable results during the surveying cruise of the Albatross in the Caribbean Sea during the winter of 1883-'84. The recommendation of Prof. Baird has been favorably acted upon, and Commander Tanner, accompanied by a select corps of scientists, has sailed from Washington to the Bahamas. The observations will be extended into the Gulf of Mexico. During the Civil War Commander Tanner was in the merchant-marine service, and for four years commanded the Pacific Mail steamship City of Pekin.

A fact. A Baltimore parrot has been taught to say: "Take Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup."

GREAT GUNS.

Interesting Facts Gleaned from Talks with Ordnance Department Officials.

The Life of a Gun—The Advantages of Using German Cocoa Gunpowder.

Gun Cotton and Its Uses—The Need of Better Coast and Lake Defenses in Case of a Foreign War.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 20.—[Special Correspondence.]—"The detail of this department is simply stupendous," said Commodore Montgomery Sicard, Chief of the Ordnance Department of the Navy, in conversation today. "Why, we are obliged to keep a record and have a complete history of every gun in the navy. Guns have a life just as much as a sailor. They live it out and die or are destroyed in the same way."

"What is the usual lifetime of a gun?"

"O, it differs very much with the different kinds. An old smooth-bore gun was supposed to be good for 1,000 rounds. After it has been fired 500 times it must be carefully examined, and if found all right it may be put to use again, but we never run any risk. We cannot afford to use guns that are dangerous to our own men. This being the case, every time a gun is fired a record must be kept of the fact. We can tell you from our books all about every gun in the navy—just where it is, just what it has done, and just what it can do."

"How is it with the expensive steel rifle cannon that are being made? Will they wear out as soon as the old guns did?"

"No, not so soon, but they have as distinct a life as the others. I can illustrate it by this piece of India rubber. I draw it out, as you see, and letting go of it it seems to go back to exactly the same place and shape that it was in before. But it is not the same. It never can be the same again. If I keep drawing out the rubber and letting it go, it will finally lose its elasticity entirely. Its life is then extinct. So with a gun. The first time it is fired it seems to go back to exactly the same condition. In fact, it does not seem to have been drawn out at all. But it has been. No one who thinks can suppose that the terrible force of exploding 100 or 200 pounds of powder and forcing a hundred-pound ball along the rifled creases of a gun does not strain it. There is one advantage in the new steel guns, however. That is, they can be rifled over again at a much less cost than a new gun can be made.

A NEW KIND OF GUNPOWDER.

"But this is not by any means the greatest part of the vast detail of our work here. Under the new style of warfare there are a large number of kinds of gunpowder. There is a particular style of grain for each style of gun. We must know what kind is wanted in each instance, and must keep a record of all the different kinds on hand in all the vessels and fleets and in the arsenals, so that we do not run short of any kind. Under the old régime it was a good deal like counting one's thumbs. We simply had to know that the smooth-bore gun wanted fine powder and a rifle gun wanted large granulated powder; that was all. But now we must know a great deal more and keep a great many more things in mind. Here, for instance, is a grain of the famous new six-sided German cocoa or slow-burning powder. It must be put together just so, with the holes through each grain forming a continuous hole clear through the cartridge. This large bag will hold 100 pounds of powder. When it is filled it has to be tightly tied all the way with silk or worsted tapes, so as to remain stiff and be handled easy. Two of these large bags are necessary to discharge our large guns. The rule is one pound of powder to two pounds of ball."

"Tell me something of this new powder."

"I was just coming to that. It is called cocoa powder because of its brown color. It is peculiarly valuable because of its slow-burning quality. For many years we labored under great disadvantage and great danger because of the instantaneous combustion of the old black powder. If 100 pounds were put in a gun for a single charge only a portion of this was burned. The disadvantage was so sudden that a considerable portion was carried out at the muzzle. Then the sudden explosion was a great strain on the gun. There was great danger of its bursting. Both these difficulties are now overcome. I could apply a match to that two-ounce grain of cocoa powder and it would probably not explode. The large charge which is put in our heavy guns can only be exploded by a small charge of quick-burning powder which is put behind it."

"But how does the advantage come?"

"In this way. Our new guns are much longer than the old ones. The slow-burning powder starts the ball and follows it with explosive gases all the way to the muzzle of the gun and then gives it a final terrible velocity. Much of the strength of the great charge is used and the ball hurled a tremendous distance—a distance simply unthought of under the old methods."

"What is the prospect of the brown powder being successfully made in this country?"

"It is excellent, I think. The German variety has been carefully analyzed several times over, and while it is impossible to arrive at the exact composition, we are already able to say that our powder-manufacturers are on the highway toward making an equally good and perhaps better powder in the near future. The product they have already produced looks very much like the German variety and has much the same effect in actual use. Now in regard to these various powders there are few who know that it is necessary to observe all the points with very great care. The atmosphere and the weather have great effect upon the finished product. Powder is much like bread in one respect, at least. No two batches are exactly alike. The manufacturers will use, to a dot, all seales and measures are concerned, exactly the same ingredients and exactly the same proportions, and yet one batch will be excellent and the next one will be very poor. We keep a careful record of all the points about the manufacture and try to ascertain in actual use what is the trouble with poor powder and how its defects can be remedied. One point of special distinction between the old black powder and the new brown powder that I failed to mention is, that in the use of the black powder it is very difficult to keep down the pressure, while it requires a high pressure to make cocoa powder burn well."

"Is the price of the cocoa powder reasonable?"

"It is not specially high. I think the German manufacturers ask a little more for it than for the black powder. It is not an economical powder, however, for it requires a large amount of it to attain a high velocity. The charges must always be large. With large charges and favorable conditions the velocity of projectiles is something wonderful. With the old-fashioned guns from 1,300 to 1,500 feet per second was the most that could be reached. With our new high-power guns and cocoa powder we always expect to attain at least 2,000 feet per second. The cost of discharging the new rifle-guns is from $100 to $300 each time."

TORPEDOES AND GUN COTTON.

"What is used principally in the torpedoes of the present day?"

"Gun cotton almost entirely. Gun cotton is cotton waste immersed in a mixture of one part of the strongest nitric acid and three parts of the strongest sulphuric acid. After being immersed a short time it is taken out, washed in cold water, soaked, beaten, and out up in a pulper into fine shreds or powder. Then it is washed and stirred in a poacher in fresh water, wrung, and squeezed out dry. By this time all the free acid is supposed to be washed out. It is then placed under a powerful hydraulic press and pressed into cakes. What adds greatly to the safety of gun cotton is the fact that it can be exploded when wet. It is the practice therefore to keep a large part wet habitually and to fire this wet mass with a fuse of fulminate of mercury surrounded with a small mass of dry gun cotton. The firing of this dry gun cotton primer communicates a violent vibratory shock to the mass of wet gun cotton which results in its explosion. Gun cotton is most extensively made at Waltham Abbey, England, but we expect to make an equally good quality in this country. The importance of being able to make our own powder and other improved ammunition is evident. We might have war with the very country on which we were relying for our supply."

COAST DEFENSES.

One of the most important matters that is to come before Congress at the present session is the question of coast and lake frontier defense. Nothing could be done so long as the House was Democratic and the Executive was Republican. Democratic leaders said they would not vote for such extensive expenditures of money and have the patronage placed in the hands of Republicans, and so the work has not been undertaken. But now that the House is Democratic and the President is a Democrat, Samuel J. Tilden, the patron saint of Democracy, has written a letter about it, the Democratic journals are advocating it, and the Democratic President has appointed a commission which has met and reported. Something is almost certain to be done. I have several times talked with Gen. John Newton, Chief of Army Engineers, and with Gen. Parke, his efficient assistant, on this subject. It is no new matter with them. They have been urging it for years. Gen. Newton says it is simply criminal that it has been delayed so long.

Gen. Newton believes that both batteries and torpedoes should be employed in defense. There are many ways of finding and taking out torpedoes, but at the same time they have a wonderful moral influence. Ships will not venture into a harbor where they know there are torpedoes. But if there is no defense for the harbor except these torpedoes the enemy's vessels may approach near enough to bombard the town, or can in time remove the torpedoes.

"Some of the guns on land," says Gen. Newton, "should at least equal the most powerful on the boats, while the armor on land should be much heavier than that on the fleet. The heavier guns of the shore battery should be so protected as not to be reached except by shot coming through the portholes. It would be very bad judgment, in order to save a little armor, not to make the more important batteries invulnerable to the fire of the fleet. Iron turrets for the heaviest guns to secure the maximum field of fire; iron casemates, with ports or embrasures, for the next class of guns; the lighter guns in barbette or disappearing carriages—these, with rifled mortar batteries, would, in general, constitute the defense of the most important harbors. Submarine mines or torpedoes can compel the enemy, if he attempts to force his way, to lie under the fire of the land batteries until he can clear a way through the group of torpedoes. This is necessary. Without it there is a terrible responsibility resting somewhere. The people who, with owl-like show of wisdom, say that we should wait until war comes and then improvise a sand-bank as a fort, either assume that the people are profoundly ignorant or are so themselves. It is simply nonsense. The weight of projectiles used in modern warfare has increased from 500 to 2,000 pounds, and the limit may not yet have been reached. In addition to magazines for powder and shell, with lifts to raise the charges, engine and boiler rooms are necessary for motive power to load and manipulate the guns, and all must be shot and shell proof. The modern gun will penetrate sixty feet of sand with ease, and will not stop short of thirty or forty feet of concrete masonry. It is nonsense to talk about waiting till war comes. No one with common sense would say wait till winter comes before preparing for it, or wait till harvest time before sowing. We cannot tell when the need for fortifications may come. Difficulties may arise across the ocean. There are mutterings of them occasionally now. We may receive a cable dispatch that diplomacy is ended. Then the cable is out. We know nothing more. Our merchantmen have no harbors of safety to run from privateers, and the first we know a hostile fleet is bombarding Boston and New York. It is only uttering a truism to say that no foreign force can be landed on our shores that could conquer us. We have men enough. There is no trouble about that. But what avail would a million men be to stand on shore and see a foreign fleet armed with long-range, high-power modern guns bombard and burn our cities? We should be prepared for the worst." GARY.

LEWIS E. PAYSON,

AUTHOR OF THE HOUSE LAND-GRANT FORFEITURE BILL—AN IMPORTANT MEASURE.

Payson's Land-Grant Forfeiture bill was reported favorably by the House Committee on Public Lands. This bill, involving as it does the forfeiture of some of the most extensive land-grants given by our Government to the various railroads, will be one of the most hotly-contested during the Forty-ninth Congress. The enormous increase in the value of the lands granted to the railroads makes the question one of great moment, and the determined opposition of the roads interested may be looked for to prevent any curtailing of what they consider their rights. The Southern Pacific Road is to receive first attention; then the Atlantic & Pacific, California & Oregon, Northern Pacific, New Orleans, Baton Rouge & Vicksburg, Atlantic, Gulf and West India Transit Company, Ontonagon & State Line, Pensacola & Georgia, Florida, Atlantic & Gulf Central, Selma, Rome & Dalton, Vicksburg, Shreveport & Texas, and the Sioux & St. Paul grants are to be noted upon.

[Lewis E. Payson, the author of the bill above mentioned, was born in Providence, R. I., Sept. 17, 1840. He removed to Illinois in 1859 and received a common school education, followed by a two years' course at the Lombard University at Galesburg. He studied law and was admitted to the bar at Ottawa, Ill., in 1862, removed to Pontiac in January, 1865, and has since resided there, practicing law; was Judge of the County Court from 1869 till 1873; was elected as a Republican to the Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth, and Forty-ninth Congresses.]

MISS BAYARD'S DEATH.

WAS IT THE RESULT OF WEARING LOW-NECKED DRESSES?

Washington (D. C.) Letter to New York *Graphic*: What caused Miss Bayard's death? Physicians may pronounce it heart-disease, but we who have seen her habits know that she was the victim of low-necked dresses. That will not deter any other gay young girl from following her fate, but none the less should the moral be pointed. The Wednesday preceding her death she "received" with her mother in the usual reception of the wife of the Cabinet officer. It was a bitterly cold day: the air penetrated the thickest wrappings. The pleasant parlors of Mrs. Bayard were filled with groups of visitors coming and going incessantly. We shivered in our sealskins, near the open fire, for the constantly opened outer door gave a blast of air fresh from Boreal regions.

Never was Miss Bayard lovelier or more considerate of other—a fact which was remarked by all visitors. She wore a cream-colored brocade with a glint of ashes-of-roses, cut square in front, thus exposing the delicate anatomy of throat and lungs to the inclement season.

The very night preceding her death she was occupied with a party of friends till midnight. She then wore a decolleté dress, and stood a long time in the hall to "welcome the coming or speed the parting guests." A friend begged her to don a wrap, as she was already suffering from a cold. Accordingly she threw something about her shoulders when the door opened, and threw it off when the door was closed.

Shortly after she retired, giving directions not to be called till afternoon of the next day. When her sister entered the room at the appointed hour her spirit had flown.

RAPID GROWTH OF SPIRITUALISM.

A St. Louis clergyman says: Don't put my name in the paper, but you may say that a clergyman who has been twenty years in the pulpit is greatly astonished at the growth of modern Spiritualism, not only in this country, but throughout the world at the present time. It is spreading in the churches as well as outside of them. Its converts used to be entirely from the infidel and atheist classes—so much so that Spiritualism itself was ranked—and rightly so—as a species of infidelity. But now vast numbers of people who commune with Catholic and Protestant churches are believers in spiritual manifestations, and would rather give up their Christianity than abandon their Spiritualism. The Catholic Church made a strong fight against Spiritualism, but it is unable to beat it down. Some of the most intelligent Catholics here and elsewhere are among the most ardent Spiritualists. I cannot say how they reconcile the one belief with the other, but they manage to do it—at least they hold to their Catholic faith openly and to their Spiritualistic faith secretly. And so with Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists, and Episcopalians. There is no Christian denomination today a part of whose membership is not tinged with Spiritualism.

EQUESTRIANISM.

Proper Position of the Rider on Horseback—A Firm Seat of the First Importance.

Correct Carriage of the Head, Body, Arms, and Legs—The Question of Stirrups.

Why It Will Take a Beginner Fifteen Years of Practice to Secure a Satisfactory Position.

The rider, having mounted, should feel the saddle in contact with the coccyx, and with the two hip bones, which, serving as a base, should be equally charged with his weight, so as to assure firmness and uprightness. This, indeed, is the "point d'appui" from which the upper part of the body moves to right or left, backward or forward, without ever ceasing to be in contact except in rising to the trot. The thighs, inclined at an angle of 45°, should be turned without effort with their flat sides against the saddle, and should press upon it with perfect equality. If the flat side of the thigh is not against the saddle contact and adherence are lost; if they are placed in this position with effort the muscles are contracted, and, in consequence of this effort, cannot be flat. This contration, therefore, not only prevents adherence, but exhausts itself so that the muscles lose their power at the moment when the greatest resistance is needed.

The thighs, as has been said, should be sloped at an angle of 45°, because in that position one is allowed by Nature to develop the greatest contractive strength between both thighs and knees. They ought also to be kept evenly against the sides of the horse, for if they be uneven in their contact, adhesion, and eventual resistance, the seat will no longer be steady, the rider having already disturbed it by his own fault. The knee joints should be kept free from all stiffness, so that the rider may have the full length of his femoral muscles in close and permanent contact with the flanks of the horse. It is obvious that the force resulting from the pressure of the thighs is proportional to its distance from the hip bones; consequently, when the knees are free from stiffness and all useless strain they may, when necessary, press against the saddle or the horse with great energy and rapidity. Should the pressure of the knees be applied constantly with the same energy such a grip, as well as that of the thighs, would, perhaps, be exhausted, and could not be exerted again when necessary to make use of it.

Such is the first part of the position which constitutes the seat. It is the immovable part, the stock or capital of the rider.

The two other parts of the rider's body are movable, and comprise (1) the upper part or body, (2) the legs.

FIRST MOVABLE PART.

The loins should be braced up, but without stiffness. If that be not done the loins will communicate their contraction to the upper part of the body, which will, therefore, become lighter and oppose less resistance to the unexpected movements of the horse. The upper part of the body ought also to be kept easy, free, and upright. If it is not perfectly free from stiffness, its removal from the vertical line will be of no use, so far as the equilibrium and the displacing of the same are concerned, because the upper part of the body would be lacking in the flexibility which is required to operate upon the weight of the free mass, so as to enable the rider to move forward or backward, to the left or to the right, without communicating his movements to the seat. The upper part of the body should be kept erect, because the equilibrium is displaced whenever the vertical line is changed in its position so as to form with the seat a more or less obtuse angle. The shoulders ought to be kept down; otherwise the lungs will remain contracted, and breathing will not be so free; moreover the rider would be obliged to "round" his back and draw in his waist, which would cause the spinal column to be thrown off the perpendicular. If kept too far backward the shoulders will hollow out and interfere with the free action of the arms. These should be kept free, so that their action may be entirely independent of any motion of the upper part of the body. If the arms be stiff this defect will be communicated to the hands holding the reins, and thus prevent their having the proper degree of intelligence.

The head is allowed to fall into an easy and natural position on the sides of the body. If the rider keeps his elbows too close to the sides his position appears uneasy and he is unable to raise or lower his wrists without displacing his arms, which compels him to carry the upper part of his body either backwards or forwards.

The head should be erect, easy, and clear from the shoulders. Being placed at the top of the perpendicular, the head represents a contractive weight which is in a direct ratio to its distance from the base or fulcrum. Now, the weight of the head, which is already heavy in proportion to the equipoise of a man standing on his feet, is, owing to its shape and composed parts, increased a great deal by its position at the top of a perpendicular which plays such an important part in displacing the equilibrium of an inert mass, and of contractive forces which, being themselves well balanced, receive a direct impulsion from that same weight, supported by those inert and contractive forces.

The reader will misunderstand me if he thinks that by "head erect" I mean such a position as that of a soldier at parade, with his eye fixed straight ahead. What I mean is that the rider's head ought to be upright, perpendicular, moving freely to the right or to the left without stooping, the eyes looking far ahead—for they cannot see distant objects without noticing intermediate objects. The head in its motion should turn without deranging the shoulders in all straight movements.

The forearms must be raised at a right angle with the elbow. This is one of the intermediate positions—low when the angle having its apex at the elbows becomes obtuse, and high when the same angle becomes acute, in a direct ratio to the required effects. Both wrists should be kept at the same hight, the fingers facing each other, the thumbs upward, because if one of the wrists be kept a little more or less down, there will be suspense or increase of the action in the corresponding rein, which may be necessary as a process of management, but not as a general rule. The wrists must be kept apart from each other about sixteen centimetres, which is the ordinary thickness of a horse's neck. If they be more distant, their action upon the mouth of the horse will not be felt, the wrists, according and in direct proportion to their distance from each other, operating upon the bit itself, and not upon the bars of the mouth. Should the wrists be kept closer to each other, they will exercise upon the lips an efficient pressure, provided it be temporary and not permanent. I do not mention here the bridle-bit, curbchain, and other instruments of torture discarded a long time ago by sound equestrian art, which no longer permits such performances, complicated with violent efforts, but properly teaches nothing but the use of effective force. The wrist-joints should be kept pliant, so as not to communicate stiffness to the arms. The stiffness of the joints would also prevent the rider from feeling by touch any impression suggested or received by the mouth, and thence conveyed to the hands.

The thumbs must be kept upward, because by that position a certain uniformity is given to both hands, which must be ready to produce as soon as possible various combined effects upon the mouth of the horse, either when resistance is to be followed by yielding or when the rider has to slacken the reins. Besides, when the thumbs are kept upward they exert a pressure upon the ends of the reins, thus opposing a resistance to the horse's movements, such as tramping, shaking the head, or buck-jumping, and they also prevent the reins from lengthening out by slipping through the hands. Let the fingers be turned upward and the elbows will remain stiff and close to the body; let the fingers be turned down and the elbows will stick out.

SECOND MOVABLE PART.

The legs should be allowed to fall into a natural position. If the rider stiffens the calf of the leg or the ankle that fault will be communicated to the knee, which will then have a tendency to get up on the saddle, while by the stiffness of the knee-joint the legs would cease to work freely for the management of the horse. The upper part of the calf of the leg ought to be kept in slight contact with the pannel of the saddle. This must be done for two reasons: (1) because if the calf of the leg be kept in full contact with the pannel, the strain of the leg will, in the long run, annihilate itself; (2) the rider would be unable to bring back his leg without opening the knee, therefore losing one of the essential conditions of a good seat. If the upper part of the calf of the leg be not in contact with the saddle, the leg will either stand out too much or be carried too far backward or forward. If too far out, or forward, the legs would be too far distant from the moving forces of the horse, with which the rider must be constantly in close contact. If too far backward, the legs would maintain a permanent effect, the tendency of which will surely be to destroy the sensibility of the effect.

When riding without the saddle the foot should be allowed to fall freely, so as to prevent the ankle joint from paralyzing the pliancy of the leg. When stirrups are used the foot must either be kept well home, or one-third of it only on the iron. What does it matter, after all, whether the whole foot or one-third of it be placed in the stirrups, providing the rider is able to use his legs without any stiffness for the management of his horse? The heels, it may be said, ought to be kept lower than the toes; to which I would reply: That this is one of the old prejudices entertained by veteran cavalrymen, who see nothing but the general appearance of things and cling to dear old routine. Providing that your knees do not come up high on the saddle, and that your feet are not turned out too much, so as to indiscriminately spur your horse, instead of using your legs, wear the stirrups as you think best. Do not use them at all if you like, but remember that, whether you are hunting, racing on the flat, riding across country, or charging the enemy, your whole foot should be placed in the stirrup, while, when on the park or at the riding-school, only one-third of the foot will do. The latter position will give you more readiness for the working of the legs. Nevertheless, you would not cease to be a good horseman by placing your feet a little more forward or backward, providing always that your seat is not at all disturbed and that you are able to use your your legs for the management of your mount.

WILL TAKE FIFTEEN YEARS OF PRACTICE.

I have taken much space to give you a minute and very lengthy description of the rider's position on horseback. It will take a beginner fifteen years of practice to comply with it and succeed in a satisfactory manner. Why so? will be asked.

Because, in the first place, the muscles of your thighs must assume a certain shape so as to insure perfect adhesion; then, while you bear in mind the proper position of your head, your arms or your thighs will leave their place, and vice versa; then, again, nothing but long practice will allow you to give to your thighs a great contractive energy without communicating any stiffness to the legs or the upper part of the body, which must remain completely independent of the contractibility of the thighs. When you move and displace the upper part of your body it works upon the hip joints, while the legs are working upon the knee joints, consequently the former move upward and the latter downward. It seems very easy, does it not? Well, sit down upon a chair and try to bring at the same time your legs and the upper part of your body backward. You will not find it so easy as you thought. Suppose now that you are on horseback, you have to remember everything and do everything at the same time.

My advice—and it comes from a man who has spent forty-one years of his life either as pupil, rider, or professor—is, do not aim at perfection at once; go on, and always keep going; race, fall down, pick yourself up, mount again, ride again, train horses, do what you like, but as much as possible on horseback, and you will see that gradually your muscles and joints will work instinctively so as to paralyze the resisting movements of the horse. Then be very careful, because if, at that time, your horse falls down, you will fall with him, and, just as it happened to such riders as Whyte-Melville, Townsend, Marchal, Du Pelley, and so many others, the fall will be fatal.

Above all, remember that there is no horsemanship possible without a seat; therefore, do not lose your time with all the refinements and finesses of the art—they cannot be acquired without a seat—but become first a strong, straightforward rider, with a good seat.—*H. L. De Bussigny in Boston Herald.*

SWEET BELLS JANGLED.

There is a constant demand for further accommodations for the insane in nearly all the States of the Union. The present State institutions are crowded to overflowing, and thousands who cannot get admission within their walls are kept in county jails and poor-houses.

To all appearance the terrible infliction of insanity is rapidly increasing in this country. Already we have an average of one insane person in every 545 inhabitants, taking the country through. While this average is not nearly as high as the rate in different foreign countries, yet it is probably higher than ever before in our own land. Twenty-eight per cent of the whole number of insane in the United States are foreigners, while only 13 per cent of the whole population is foreign. The question of what to do with the great numbers of insane persons who are accumulating on our hands is a vital one. Already the State is heavily taxed in providing for them, and it is growing more and more difficult to get large appropriations for new asylums. It may safely be said that, unless some less expensive way of providing for this class is devised, many will still be left unprovided for after the State has done all that it can be induced to do. The question is pertinent, then, whether we cannot provide just as effectively and less expensively for these unfortunate fellow-beings. Certainly we can house them in less expensive buildings, and this will go a long way in reducing present expenses.

Enormous expense has been incurred in many States for palatial buildings, the cost of many of them being $1,000 per inmate. These vast piles of brick and granit, reared at so great expense to the State, are no better as homes for the insane than much more modest and less expensive buildings. They gratify the pride of the citizens, but they cannot by any means be considered indispensable to the well-being of the patients. In Minnesota they have erected a fine school for imbeciles at a cost of $500 per capita, and a second insane hospital at a cost of $750, and the buildings are entirely satisfactory. The result of their economy is that they have not more than ten or twelve patients in county poor-houses. Other States are also beginning to economize in the erection of buildings, and will be able to provide properly for a greater proportion of their insane in consequence. But much information upon this point needs to be disseminated. When the people once learn that the reason why all the insane are not provided with refuges is because a few of them are so exp

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HARD ON YOUNG MEN.

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"WE HAVE COME TO STAY."

The Boast of Fire-Eating Wise of Virginia in the National House.

"We Are in the House of Our Fathers," Says the Ex-Confederate Captain.

There the Rebels Will Remain, He Adds in Substance—His Fellow-Democrats Tickled.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—Mr. Herbert (Ala.), from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported back the Boutelle resolution in the House today calling on the Secretary of the Navy for information relative to the alleged erasures of certain inscriptions and the dismissal of Union soldiers at the Norfolk Navy-Yard with an amendment extending the inquiry to dismissals made at the navy-yard and light-house district at Norfolk during the terms of the immediate predecessors of the present Secretary of the Navy. Mr. Herbert said the present solution was substantially the same as that originally offered by Mr. Boutelle, except that it was somewhat broader. He demanded the previous question. The Republicans resisted this, but were outvoted—87 to 84. Tellers were ordered, the body of the Republicans refraining from voting, and upon the announcement of the result Mr. Perkins of Kansas raised the point of order that no quorum had voted.

"It is evident, then," said Mr. Herbert, "that the gentlemen want their own interrogations answered. I withdraw the report." [Applause on the Democratic side.]

Mr. Boutelle—If I may do so I object to the withdrawal of the report.

Mr. Reed of Maine—The report is being acted upon and cannot be withdrawn.

The Speaker held that, as the report was made to the House by order of a committee, it could not be withdrawn without leave of the House. [Applause on the Republican side.]

Mr. Reed—I suggest that the gentleman from Alabama allow amendments to be offered by my colleague.

Mr. Herbert—I have no instructions to allow any amendments.

Mr. Reed—The gentleman can allow amendments to be offered.

Mr. Herbert—I decline to allow any to be offered. The resolution embodies substantially all the inquiries in the original resolution, and I move a call of the House.

Mr. Boutelle inquired whether the gentleman had stated that the committee had instructed him to call the previous question.

Mr. Herbert—I made no such statement.

Mr. Boutelle—He was not so instructed.

Mr. Herbert—I made no such statement.

ARRESTING THE ABSENTEES.

The Republicans opposed the motion for a call of the House, but it was ordered by a vote of yeas 153, nays 123. The call disclosed the presence of 296 members, there being but twenty-nine absentees, and, on motion of Mr. Herbert, the resolution was adopted directing the Sergeant-at-Arms to arrest and bring to the bar of the House such members as were absent without leave. Immediately Mr. Reed moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with. He called attention to the fact that there was an unusually full attendance of members. The sole question which now existed was a question of the public business. No unreasonable time was asked for by the minority. It could not be that gentlemen on the other side, with a majority of forty, were desirous of suppressing debate from fear of any consequences. No harm ever came in a free country from free discussion of a legitimate proposition.

Mr. Herbert stated that the rules of the House prescribed a reasonable time for debate on a resolution of this kind. Thirty minutes were allowed—fifteen for each side—after the previous question was ordered. It was simply a resolution of inquiry, and there was nothing to debate until the inquiry had been answered.

Mr. Hewitt of New York agreed with Mr. Reed in maintaining the freedom of debate, but in the present case there was nothing to debate. The Democratic side had had to maintain for many years the right of the Representatives of the people to discuss important political questions, and many a time had he seen the other side trying to suppress debate. It did not lie in the mouth of a gentleman on the other side to taunt Democrats with any attempt to limit debate. To undertake to come in now with partisan statements was a waste of public time and an abuse of the confidence of the House.

Mr. Reed's motion was voted down, and after a short wait the Sergeant-at-Arms brought to the bar of the House Messrs. Sowden, Riggs, and Bingham. After being considerably guyed by their associates the excuses presented by these gentlemen were deemed satisfactory and they were released from custody. At 2:30 Mr. Herbert thought he has secured a quorum of Democrats, and accordingly further proceedings under the call were dispensed with. The previous question was then ordered on the resolution—yeas 150, nays 91.

BOUTELLE'S HOT SHOT.

Then commenced a political debate, which was opened by Mr. Boutelle, who promised his direct speech upon the resolution with a remark calling attention to the fact that the first legislative act of the House had been the passage by unanimous consent of a bill removing the political disabilities of an ex-Confederate who had waited more than twenty years before discovering a desire to be placed in the line of eligibility to an appointment under the executive department of the United States. In contrast with this he (Mr. Boutelle) had been informed that fifteen minutes of time was an inadequate allowance in which to present the case of the outrageous dismissal of disabled veterans of the Union army from the employment of the Government and the obliteration, defacement, and removal of inscriptions commemorative of the success of the Union army. A Norfolk paper had stated that Commandant Braxton, in place of censure, was entitled to praise. The paper said that when he had taken charge of the Norfolk navy-yard he had found inscriptions intended to keep alive and embitter memories of civil strife and had patriotically ordered them to be removed. Mr. Boutelle then referred to the removal of the Superintendent of Machinery at the navy-yard, because of his demurring to the defacement of the dry-dock, and the appointment of a man whose title to the position rested on a service in the Confederate army. If, said Mr. Boutelle, the time had come, or should come, to obliterate the great memories of the Rebellion the monuments of the Rebellion itself should first be torn down. Let not the work be begun by taking down inscriptions commemorative of the victories of the armies of the United States. He read a list of great marble monuments growing up all over this land to perpetuate the cause of treason and rebellion. The soldier who came to Washington might wander in vain through the great art repository of the city looking for the counterfeit presentment of one of the heroes who sustained the flag of the Union. He would find that the only men who were memorialized and remembered in the Corcoran Art Gallery were Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson. There was no justice in the claim that a broad patriotism required the obliteration of the records of the grandest triumph ever made for humanity since first the morning stars sang together. [Applause on the Republican side.] The people of the country ought to say, as old Dix said in regard to the American flag: If any man attempts to pull down a memorial of the great triumph of the loyal people of the country shoot him on the spot." [Prolonged applause on the Republican side.] Further his position were that of a member of Congress or a citizen in private life he entered his protest against this morbid sentimentality; against this false idea of magnanimity which would for one moment tolerate the laying of the hands of desecration on the memorials of the triumphs of the Union arms. In the case of the Norfolk Navy-Yard and Custom-House, gallant, honest, worthy, faithful, public servants, who had followed the flag of their country on a hundred battlefields, had been turned out, that their places might be given to men who had fought to destroy the Government. [Applause on the Republican side.]

MR. WISE'S RETORT.

Mr. Wise of Virginia said that the Secretary of the Navy was called upon to report if any relics had been destroyed at the Norfolk Navy-Yard which commemorated the fact that the dry-dock at Portsmouth had been destroyed. He was glad of the opportunity to inform the gentleman from Maine that the dry-dock at Portsmouth had never been destroyed. [Applause on the Democratic side.] The gentleman asked the Secretary of the Navy if inscriptions had been removed from cannon captured from the Confederate army. He would inform the gentleman from Maine that no cannon with such inscriptions had ever been in the Portsmouth Navy-Yard. [Applause on the Democratic side.] The gentleman from Maine wanted to know if a Union soldier had been discharged and a Confederate put in his place. He would inform the gentleman from Maine that the man who was discharged had never been in the Union army, had never been within a thousand miles of a line of battle, and had never heard the music of a minie bullet. [Applause and laughter on the Democratic side.]

Mr. Boutelle—Did he not render great service to his country?

"No, sir," replied Mr. Wise. "He, sir, was in receipt of a large salary in a bomb-proof position, while brave men fought the battles of their country."

Mr. Brady of Virginia rose and asked permission to propound a question.

"No, sir; no, sir!" exclaimed Mr. Wise. "I will give my attention to you in one minute. The Confederate, or the man who you (Mr. Boutelle) allege was appointed on account of his service in the Confederate army, was appointed after a competitive examination, and the man to whom you refer was removed for beastly intoxication. [Applause and laughter on the Democratic side.] One other fact I commend to your consideration. During the Arthur Administration the Postmaster at Portsmouth, who was a Union soldier, twice wounded and twice promoted for gallantry, was removed at the dictation of William Mahone. [Applause on the Democratic side.] Ah, Mr. Speaker, it is a good thing to raise a fuss over this, isn't it? Your fellow-citizens of Maine," addressing Mr. Boutelle, "are anxious to know if a Confederate has been appointed in the Norfolk navy-yard by this Administration. Have you forgotten that during the Grant Administration and during the Administration of Hayes and Arthur you sent the Captain of the Confederate guerrillas—John S. Mosby—to represent the Government of the United States in a foreign country? [Applause on the Democratic side.] Have you forgotten that Longstreet, a Confederate Lieutenant-General, was selected by your Republican Administration for the most important office in Georgia? Why is it, I will ask the gentleman from Maine, that we have not heard a howl from that ice-bound region about these appointments?" [Laughter on the Democratic side.] "Does the gentleman desire a reply?" inquired Mr. Boutelle.

A FLEA FOR PEACE.

"No, sir," exclaimed Mr. Wise, "go read the speech of the Senator of the United States who, with all kindness, is in the estimation of the whole country a better man than you are. Go read the speech of Charles Sumner of Massachusetts."

"If Charles Sumner knew that his magnanimous suggestion would be quoted by you for such a purpose he would turn in his grave," exclaimed Mr. Boutelle, amid much confusion.

"Go," continued Mr. Wise, "read the speech of Charles Sumner of Massachusetts. If I mistake not he was the first in the country who declared, some fifteen years ago, that the time had come for peace, and that the bitter memories of the War should be removed. And mark the contrast between the leader of the Democracy and the gentleman from Maine. The last words spoken by that great statesman in his dying bed at MacGregor were that he thanked God that he closed his eyes on the world believing that peace had returned to a distracted country. [Applause on the Democratic side.] Now, Mr. Speaker, I want to say one word more to the gentleman from Maine while we sit here and vote pensions to our soldiers."

"Our soldiers!" exclaimed Mr. Boutelle.

"Yes," replied Mr. Wise, "our soldiers. We are in the house of our fathers and we have come to stay. [Applause on the Democratic side.] While we are ready and willing to vote pensions to honorably-discharged soldiers who served their country in time of war, we will never consent that it shall be held, and never claimed on high, that one who happened to have been in the Confederate army is forever disbarred from the service of his country. I protest that these honorable soldiers of the Union army shall never again be subjected to the treatment that they were subjected to under the late Administration, when men who fought bravely for the Union, and the circular bearing the names of William Mahone as Chairman, and James D. Brady, the present member of this House, as Secretary——"

"There was no such circular," interrupted Mr. Brady. "I challenge him to produce the circular."

"Well," continued Mr. Wise, not heeding the interruption, "they were required, under the whip of a master, to give money for partisan purposes—required like slaves to hold their ballots up that their bosses' minions might see whether they voted right. O, what an attitude in which to place a disbarred soldier of the Union—under the whip and the lash of a Confederate Brigadier!" [Loud and continued applause on the Democratic side and in the galleries.]

The resolution, as amended by the Committee on Naval Affairs, was then adopted, and the House took a recess, the evening session to be for the consideration of pension bills.

The House at its evening session passed sixteen pension and two disability bills and adjourned until Monday.

POST-OFFICE SQUABBLES.

NO END OF TROUBLE FOR SPRINGER AT SPRINGFIELD—A LITTLE ROW IN MASSACHUSETTS.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—There has been apparently but little of interest transpiring during the last week in Springfield in relation to the post-office squabble. From the very start Editor Kidd has been bitterly opposed to the prospective appointment of Editor Clendenin, but within the last few days the tone of the *Monitor* editorials has radically changed. Many overtures have been made to the friends of Gen. McClernand to induce him to withdraw from the fight, and extravagant promises of the control of much of the patronage have been made. Soft situations for McClernand's friends have been proffered, but the veteran soldier is the one who needs the patronage much more than his friends. Mr. Clendenin's cause is now being championed at Washington by Col. Henry Davis of this city. The Clendenin faction now claim to believe that the McClernand faction has lost hope of McClernand's being appointed at this time, but have come to the conclusion that Clendenin may be appointed but will be knocked out by the Senate.

Notwithstanding the claims of Mr. Clendenin that, if he is appointed, he can calm the troubled waters and bring harmony to the Bourbon camp, nine-tenths of the said Bourbons dissent from his opinion, and there is no use denying that, whoever is appointed, it will greatly injure Springer's chances for renomination to Congress. There are many prominent workers who have worked for Springer in the primaries, at the conventions, and at the polls every time he asked for a nomination, and it is a remarkable fact that these have almost universally been ignored, and consequently there is a vast amount of dissatisfaction. These men are good politicians and say but little, but they keep up a continual thinking, and when the time comes for work they will set and act effectually. There is a compact entered into among the leading politicians of the counties composing the district to do all in their power to defeat Springer when he bobs up again, but the only trouble so far has been to select a man that all can unite upon. The recent phase in the post-office fight here has brought Gen. McClernand so prominently to the front that, should he not be appointed Postmaster, he will be pushed by his friends as a candidate for Congress, and this information will cause general consternation in the Springer camp.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Some months ago the Democrats of Fairhaven made a move to oust Postmaster Morton and have Eben Aiken Jr. appointed. Petitions were circulated, and the names of most of the Democrats of the town were obtained urging Aiken's appointment. The Town Committee alleges that the matter was placed in the hands of Weston Howland, and that he, instead of carrying out the intentions of the committee and party, attempted to falsify the papers so as to make them appear in favor of George A. Briggs as a candidate for the office. When the affair came out it caused much talk. Last evening the Democratic Town Committee passed resolutions making the above charges and denouncing Mr. Howland for his course in the matter, and accusing him of working to secure for himself the Collectorship of Customs of New Bedford.

SEALS HUNTING SALMON.

Portland *Oregonian:* Mr. Cook, who is engaged in fishing for winter salmon at Lewis River, was in the city yesterday. He accounts for the great scarcity of salmon in the market at present by the fact that the river is swarming with seals, which destroy great numbers of fish. He states that as soon as a fish strikes his net a seal goes for it and gets it before the fisherman can reach it. Shooting the seals has no effect, except on the ones shot, as others take their places. At night the seals fairly swarm into the river and take the very fish out of the nets. Winter salmon are scarce this season, and the seals are determined to have first choice. Before long the fishermen of the Columbia will have to begin a war of extermination on the seals and sea-lions, which prey on the salmon they need in their business.

OUR STANDING ARMY.

The Senate Not Inclined to Increase the Rank and Pay of Officers.

Military Attaches—Prospective Changes in the Artillery Arm of the Service.

The Latest as to Individual Cases—New Regulations—Special Orders—Notes.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Those officers on the retired list of the army having bills pending before Congress for increase of rank and pay will meet with cold comfort from the Senate. Hardly a Congress has passed but that a dozen or so of bills of this character have become laws, and every new Congress seems to bring more. There are probably fifty now pending. At the last meeting of the Military Committee the whole session was devoted to discussion on this subject. Senator Logan took a decided stand against the practice of individual retirement laws. He said he had always been opposed to this kind of legislation, but had occasionally allowed himself to be persuaded into voting for a bill in which other members seemed to have some special interest. He had now, however, fully determined to oppose every bill of the kind that came before the committee, and asked the support of the other members in that direction. He regards the present general retirement laws as not only ample but extremely generous. To show the committee to what extent Congress had increased the pension appropriations by individual legislation he asked for and received permission to send to the Paymaster-General of the army for a statement of the number of officers now on the retired list, those who have received additional rank and pay by Congressional legislation since retirement, and the total amount paid annually to retired officers. When this statement is furnished Senator Logan proposes to make it a part of the first adverse report on the subject that is submitted to the Senate from the committee.

Representative Breckinridge's bill, introduced the other day, providing for the assignment of army officers as military attachés to foreign legations, receives the hearty support of officers here, especially the Adjutant-General and his assistants. Its provisions are exactly in the line proposed by the Adjutant-General some time ago when he talked of establishing a bureau of army intelligence on the plan of the present Naval Intelligence Bureau. The bill provides that an officer be assigned to each of the following legations: London, Paris, Vienna, Madrid, Constantinople, Berlin, Naples, and St. Petersburg. The duties will be to collect the latest and most accurate information as to foreign armies, improvement and alterations in the art of war, character of weapons, munitions of war, drill, discipline, etc. No officer over the age of 45 years shall be eligible for such assignment, and not more than two at any one time shall belong to the same arm of the service.

THE ARTILLERY ARM.

A new bill to promote the efficiency of the artillery arm of the service was introduced in both Houses this week. It is somewhat like the Manderson bill to increase the efficiency of the infantry in that it materially increases the number of officers without making any provision whatever for more enlisted men. This is believed to be the principal objection to the Manderson bill. Mr. Herbert is already saying that there are too many officers for the small force of enlisted men. It is plain, therefore, that the latter will have to be increased before either of these bills can be expected to go on the statute-book. The following is the full text of the bill referred to:

SEC. 1. That in view of the special requirements of the artillery arm of the service there be and are hereby created, and shall hereafter be maintained as part of the permanent establishment of each regiment of artillery, twelve Captaincies in addition to those now authorized by law, which shall be filled in each regiment by promotion according to seniority of the First-Lieutenants thereof.

SEC. 2. That the Captains authorized by the provisions of Sec. 1 of this act shall be assigned in their respective regiments, one to each battery, as junior Captain.

SEC. 3. That the number of First Lieutenants in a regiment of artillery shall hereafter be reduced to fourteen, two of whom shall be extra Lieutenants and shall be assigned to duty, one as regimental Adjutant, the other as regimental Quartermaster.

SEC. 4. That the pay of the Captains authorized by the first section of this act shall be $1,700 a year when dismounted and $1,900 a year when mounted, together with the allowances attaching to this grade and the increase of pay for length of service now provided for by law.

SEC. 5. That whenever a vacancy shall occur among the first twelve Captains of any regiment of artillery it shall be filled from the senior Captain of such regiment provided for in the first section of this act, who shall thereafter receive the pay and allowances of a Captain of artillery now established by law.

INDIVIDUAL CASES.

Officers here were surprised to learn that Capt. George W. Davis, Fourteenth Infantry, who was recently relieved from duty as aide-de-camp to the Lieutenant-General under Secretary Endicott's emphatic order, had been telegraphed by the Secretary to return to Washington. The first impression was that the Secretary was backing down from the stand he had taken against officers being absent from their regiments for any great length of time, and that Capt. Davis was to be relegated to his former pleasant duties with Col. Casey. This being denied, it was then thought that he was coming on the request of the President to accept the vacancy of Major in the Bureau of Military Justice caused by the death of Maj. Henry Goodfellow. It was learned at the Adjutant General's office this afternoon, however, that neither version was correct. He is to be granted leave of absence upon his arrival here for one year for the purpose of taking charge of some engineering work on the Nicaraguan Canal under the direction of the Nicaraguan Canal Company. He is expected to either resign or return to his station at the expiration of that time.

The Secretary of War has declined to grant the application of Deputy Quartermaster-General Charles A. Reynolds, who recently applied for retirement under the thirty-year act in order to escape the undesirable order directing him to take station at Vancouver's Barracks, Washington Territory, as Chief Quartermaster of the Department of Columbia. Secretary Endicott regards the thirty-year law as intended for use only in cases of emergency or necessity, and as Col. Reynolds' evident purpose is to escape uncongenial duty, he maintains that it would not be to the best interest of the service to apply it to such cases. Col. Reynolds is now at his home in Baltimore on temporary delay. When this expires, as far as the War Department is informed, he will comply with his orders. It has been stated, however, that he would resign rather than obey them. It is said that he has recently come into possession of a fortune, so that his commission in the army is no longer an object.

A general order has been issued from the War Department amending paragraph 10 of the regulations regarding rank of officers and non-commissioned officers. According to this amendment the grade of General disappears, that of Lieutenant-General heading the list. The new arrangement is as follows:

1, Lieutenant-General; 2, Major-General; 3, Brigadier-General; 4, Colonel; 5, Lieutenant-Colonel; 6, Major; 7, Captain; 8, First-Lieutenant; 9, Second-Lieutenant; 10, Cadet; 11, Sergeant-Major; 12, Quartermaster-Sergeant (regimental); 13, Ordnance, Commissary, and Post Quartermaster-Sergeant, Hospital Steward of the first-class, Chief Musician, Principal Musician, Chief Trumpeter, and Saddler Sergeant; 14, First Sergeant; 15, Sergeant; 16, Corporal.

The following officers of the army are registered at the Adjutant-General's office:

First-Lieut. E. L. Zalinski, Fifth Artillery; Lieut.-Col. Henry L. Abbott, Engineers; First-Lieut. Ralph W. Hoyt, Eleventh Infantry; Capt. Charles Bending; Capt. David Wills, retired; Col. Daniel McClure; Lieut. H. C. Carbaugh, Fifth Artillery; Maj. Charles W. Raymond, Engineers; Lieut. Robert Hanna; First-Lieut. C. T. Roe, Second Artillery; Capt. H. Briggs, retired.

SPECIAL ORDERS, ETC.

The following special orders have been issued from the War Department:

Capt. William Mitchell, Third Infantry, will report by letter to Maj.-Gen. Winfield S. Hancock, President of the Army Retiring Board, convened at Governor's Island, New York harbor, and will appear before the board for examination when summoned.

Second-Lieut. John C. Walshe, Signal Corps, will be relieved from duty at Fort Myer, Va., upon the arrival at that station of First-Lieut. Richard E. Thompson, Sixth Infantry, and will then report in person to the Chief Signal Officer of the army in this city for duty in his office.

Capt. Frank Heath, ordnance department, will proceed to Hartford, Conn., for the purpose of inspecting machine guns in process of manufacture at that place for the United States, and on completion of this duty will return to his station at the National Armory, Springfield, Mass.

Under the provisions of the act of Congress approved Feb. 14, 1885, the following-named enlisted men are by direction of the President, upon their own applications, placed upon the retired list created by that act: Ordnance-Sergeant John Lewis, U. S. A.; Private Michael Powell, Battery H, Second Artillery.

The following changes in the stations and duties of officers of the Corps of Engineers are ordered:

Lieut.-Col. Cyrus B. Comstock is relieved from duty in New York City and will take station at Willet's Point, N. Y., and relieve Lieut.-Col. Henry L. Abbot of the command of the Engineer School of Application, the Engineer depot and post of Willet's Point, the command of the Battalion of Engineers, the charge of the fort at Willet's Point, and the construction of Fort Schuyler, New York.

Lieut.-Col. Abbott will proceed to and take station in New York City, continuing his duties as a member of the Board of Engineers.

Lieut.-Col. Walter McFarland will relieve Maj. George L. Gillespie of the duties now under his charge, and will report to Col. James C. Duane for duty as a member of the Board of Engineers.

Maj. Gillespie will take station at Boston, relieving Maj. Charles W. Raymond of the duties now under his charge.

Maj. Raymond will take station at New Orleans, relieving Maj. Amos Stickney of all duties now under his charge.

Maj. Stickney will take station at Milwaukee, Wis., relieving Lieut.-Col. John W. Barlow of the works now under his charge.

Lieut.-Col. Barlow will take station at Chattanooga, Tenn., relieving Maj. William R. King of the duties now under his charge.

Maj. King will take station at Willet's Point, N. Y., reporting to Lieut.-Col. Cyrus B. Comstock for duty under his orders, and relieving him of the command of the battalion of engineers.

Capt. James F. Gregory is relieved from his duties in this city and will proceed to Baltimore, Md., and relieve Maj. Jared A. Smith of his present duties, reporting for duty as engineer of the Fifth and Sixth Lighthouse Districts.

Maj. Smith will take station at Portland, Me., relieving Col. Charles E. Blunt of the duties now under his charge.

Col. Blunt will assume the duties of supervising engineer of the district in charge of Majs. Jared A. Smith, Lewis C. Overman, and Milton B. Adams, and Capt. Edward Maguire.

Lieut.-Col. David C. Houston is relieved from his present duties and will take station in New York City, relieving Lieut.-Col. Walker McFarland of such works as the Chief of Engineers shall indicate, and reporting to Col. James C. Duane for duty as a member of the Board of Engineers.

The leave of absence on surgeon's certificate of disability granted First-Lieut. Thomas J. Clay, Tenth Infantry, is extended six months on account of sickness.

The leave of absence granted Maj. Michael R. Morgan, Commissary of Subsistence, is extended ten days.

The leave of absence on certificate of disability granted Maj. Warren Webster, Surgeon, U. S. A., is extended nine months on account of sickness.

Gen. Sheridan, in his recent examination by the Congressional Commission considering the organization of the scientific bureaus, expressed the opinion that so far as the utility of Fort Myer is concerned for the purposes of teaching military signaling it could be dispensed with. The signal bureau, he said, had nothing especially to do with that work. During the War no trouble was experienced in training signal men for service. The meteorological work he did not consider as belonging to the army, but to the business of the country. While it might be necessary for the present to keep up the military feature of this service, he thought it would be well to gradually work out of it.

LOCAL POLITICS.

THIRD-WARDERS WHO WANT THEIR PRECINCTS REARRANGED—PATENT BALLOT-BOXES—THE MAYORALTY CONTEST—KASPAREK SATISFIED.

The Election Commission listened to a large delegation of Republicans from the Third Ward yesterday, who complained of the manner of districting their ward under the new law. The delegation wanted to have the precincts extend through the whole width of the ward, but only one block from north to south, so that the polling-places could all be located on State street. This plan is impracticable, because the number of voters in some precincts would far exceed the limit fixed by the law, while in others it would fall far short. Mr. Hoffman suggested as a compromise that the district east of Indiana avenue be divided into two or three precincts, as at present, and that the plan of making the precincts one block wide be adopted for the part lying west of Indiana avenue. By this means the population along State and Clark streets would not be discommoded, and the only ones who would be put out at all would be the residents along the avenues. The matter was finally turned over to Chief-Deputy Crean, who will meet the objectors at the office of the Election Commission today. The principal argument of the objectors is that under their plan of districting a better class of judges could be obtained.

The clerks who have been engaged in districting the city are out locating the polling-places, at least a majority of them. About five or six men more will have to be engaged to do this work, since some of the present employés will always be needed at the office for clerical work.

One of the inventors of patent ballot-boxes who have been exhibiting their inventions to the various committees of citizens, Mr. Charles F. Dodge of Michigan, was at Commissioner Hoffman's office yesterday trying to induce the Commissioner to buy his box. The Commissioner will not take any action in the matter at present.

Notice was served on A. W. Green yesterday that A. C. Story would this morning in the County Court move to have the Mayoralty contest case set for hearing at the earliest date practicable and to have such other proceedings as in the discretion of the court may seem proper. Mr. Story said he had given the contestants over a month in which to decide upon what course to take or to work up their evidence. He wanted to get the case off his hands and have some final settlement, whether in the nature of a default or judgment on the evidence. At all events, he said, the title of Harrison to the office he is holding should be established by the court in some form. What the counsel for the contestants will do remains to be seen. They declined to divulge their intentions yesterday.

The Executive Committee of the Cook County Democratic Club last night appointed the following standing committees: Finance, Charles H. Schwab, S. T. Cady, M. C. McDonald, Eugene Prager, Timothy Ryan; House, James O'Brien, Louis Adams, M. C. McDonald; Printing, M. J. Corcoran, Henry Murry, Eugene Prager; Library, Frank Baker, George Kersten, St. Clair Sutherland. The appointment of the Political Committee was delegated to President Kern. William J. McGarigle will probably be the Chairman of the Executive Committee, though a permanent organization has not yet been arrived at.

Speaking of the officers of the Cook County Club, the Young Democrats are very much dissatisfied with the selections. If the intentions of the leaders were really to reform the politics of the county, they say, such selections would not have been made. As the matter stands, the Young Democrats want to show the Cook County Club that it does not represent the Democracy of the county, and that there are at least 10,000 men who will not be ruled by a club of 500.

At a meeting of the Young Democrats of the Fourth Ward Thursday night William E. Corsett tendered his resignation as President of the club. The resignation was accepted and a successor will be elected Feb. 9. Mr. Corsett has been appointed to an office by Collector Stone, and considered it more "consistent" to resign his political office.

The votes in the remaining precincts of the Sixth Ward were counted yesterday by the Council Committee on Elections, and the result was a gain of five for Kasparek, making seven in all. Kasparek said he was satisfied, he having been misled by the statements of friends.

TUNISIAN CAPS.

A curious manufacture peculiar to Tunis is that of skull-caps, noted for their brilliancy of color, their fineness and durability, as compared with those made in France and Italy. The wool, a mixture of native Tunisian and Spanish, the proportions of each varying according to the intended fineness and price of the article, is combed and spun into a fine soft thread and woven, or oftener knit, into the conical caps. These are soaked in oil, and then, a kind of form being placed on the knee of the workman, they are milled by rubbing the sides together, frequently turning the caps; by this process they are reduced to about one-half their first size. When the cap is sufficiently thickened, it is brushed with a burr from a kind of thistle, in order to bring out the nap, the fibres of which project too far being cut off with shears. The caps, thus reduced, napped, and clipped, are in the form of a demi-globe, and are then sent to Tarvan, to be dyed a deep crimson, the water at this place being of a peculiar adaptness for the dyeing.

HIGH JUMPERS.

Prof. Landmark, chief director of the Norwegian fisheries, asserts that salmon sometimes jump perpendicularly sixteen feet.

THE BIG BOARD OF TRADE

It Urges Upon Congress the Necessity of Stopping the Undervaluations Frauds.

The Senate Inter-State Commerce Bill Indorsed with a Few Slight Exceptions.

Chicago Gets Through a Resolution About Pork Discrimination in Foreign Lands.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—On reassembling this morning the National Board of Trade adopted the following resolution, embodied by Mr. Samson of Boston:

Resolved, That we urge upon Congress the importance of passing some stringent laws to prevent the undervaluation of merchandise imported into the United States, and the prevention of damage allowance frauds.

Also the following, introduced by ex-Senator Corbett of Oregon:

WHEREAS, Encroachments are constantly being made upon the navigable waters and harbors of the United States by the deposit of ballast and other material therein, and by the construction of wharves and other works beyond proper limits, so as to materially interfere with navigation and harbor facilities; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the National Board of Trade most respectfully recommend the enactment of a law by Congress authorizing the Secretary of War, through the Engineer Department, to define the harbor limit and lines of limit of the navigable water courses within the jurisdiction of the United States, and within which lines and limits obstructions shall not be permitted.

Also the following, introduced by Mr. Murray of Cincinnati:

Resolved, That the cental system current in Liverpool and the Pacific States of this country, representing 100 pounds avoirdupois, is hereby approved and recommended for general adoption by this and other countries as a standard for grain measure.

At this point the board took a recess for the purpose of paying their respects to President Cleveland.

At the White House short addresses were made by Mr. Fraley, President of the board, and Mr. Patterson of New Jersey, to which the President made a brief response, saying that their visit reminded him of the importance of the interests represented by the board, and giving assurance that they would receive due consideration at his hands. Mr. Fraley said to the President that he had been delegated to inform him of the board's indorsement of the policy of the administration in regard to the silver question, civil-service reform, the commercial reciprocity treaties, etc.

INTER-STATE TRAFFIC.

After recess the board received and, after a long debate, adopted by a vote of 22 to 8 the report from the Special Committee on Inter-State Traffic. It says that the "bill to regulate commerce" introduced to the Senate of the United States by its special committee Jan. 18, 1886, and known as Senate bill 1,098, is (subject to the exceptions hereinafter named) heartily approved by the National Board of Trade. We respectfully suggest the following amendments, which, in our judgment, would contribute materially to the efficiency and usefulness of the bill:

First—The striking out of Sec. 4, which prohibits the charging or receiving of any greater compensation in the aggregate for the transportation of passengers or property for a shorter than for a longer distance over the same line in the same direction and from the same original point of departure. This board deems this to be an unnecessary restriction upon the freedom of transportation and one in which its practical application would result in increasing the rates charged for long distances rather than in diminishing those charged for shorter ones. It would debar many important transportation companies from competing for through traffic for long distances, where the rates are too low to admit of their application to business terminating at local points on their several lines, such through traffic being a source of additional revenue at comparatively small additional cost. The remedy provided by appealing to the commission would impose upon the transportation lines a serious burden, and the multiplicity of cases arising would overtax the commission.

Second—The text of the second clause of Sec. 1 makes the provisions of the bill apply to the transportation of passengers or property by any vess

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BUSINESS.

MONETARY.

Clearings at the principal cities of the United States yesterday and a week ago were:

	Jan. 22.	Jan. 15.
New York	$104,260,255	$112,988,648
Boston	12,838,641	14,202,781
Chicago	7,184,000	8,143,000
Philadelphia	7,056,068	8,614,397
St. Louis	2,602,496	2,775,152
Baltimore	1,144,570	1,649,645
San Francisco		1,861,569
New Orleans	1,694,384	1,557,469

New York exchange was quoted as follows yesterday: Chicago, par; Boston, 2½@3c premium; St. Louis, 75c premium; New Orleans, $1.50 premium (sight).

Business at the banks was very quiet yesterday, mainly on account of the bad weather. Communication with the country was meagre, and it was reported that all the leading lines of railroad were so blocked that at the best it would be several days before traffic would be easy. There was no change in the money market. While the tendency of rates abroad is downward and in New York there are signs of weakness, the characteristic of the market in this city is firmness. The Imperial Bank of Germany yesterday reduced the rate of discount from 4 to 3½ per cent. Eastern bills in this city sold at par, but it was thought that they would be higher in a day or two, by reason of the cold and storms, which prevent stuff from going forward. Sixty-day sterling exchange was a little higher, and it was reported from New York that Brown Brothers intended to export $500,000 of gold today. The following were the quotations of foreign bills in this city:

	Sixty days.	Demand.
Bankers' sterling, posted rates	488	490
Bankers' actual	487	489
Commercial sterling	485¾	487¾
Bankers' francs	5.17½	5.15¾
Commercial francs	5.20¾	5.18¾
Bankers' marks	94¾	95¼
Commercial marks	94¾	95¾

Securities were dull. The sales at the Chicago Stock Exchange were $2,000 West Division Railway coupon 6s at 109¼, $10,000 Mutual Union Telegraph 6s at 80¾, $5,000 at 80⅝, $5,000 at 81, $1,000 Iowa Division 4s at 99½, and $60,000 City Railway 4½s at 100⅝. The sales over the counter included $13,000 United States 4s at 123⅜, $4,500 City 5s at 103¾, $1,000 Car Trust 6s, series B, at 100½; $1,600 Board of Trade 5s at 104, $15,000 at 103⅜, and $2,000 Mineral Point 5s at 103.

Stock speculation was dull, and confidence in the present range of prices was at a low ebb. As an immediate factor the weather was considered the most important. The roads in the Northwest were having a hard time, and it was thought that their operations would be embarrassed for many days. Aside from this, most of the railroad men are bearish. They think that prices have gone altogether too high in view of the earning capacity of the companies. But the bears are still very much afraid of the cliques, and their sales are in small lots. It is believed that most of those who had bought St. Paul recently on the leadership of Armour sold out Thursday and yesterday. There are some very large stories floating about New York as to the purchases made in Chicago this week. Dispatches of a highly imaginative character have been sent to the metropolis. St. Paul is now considered the leader of the market, but it does not appear that anything is contemplated by its manipulators beyond showing a strong front. If the New York stock market depends on Chicago for a bull movement of much importance it will be disappointed. It was reported that a large increase in the earnings of St. Paul for the third week of this month was expected on account of the transportation of delayed freight. The Kansas City extension scheme is attracting general attention. It is suspected that an issue of stock will be a feature of the plan, but Mr. Armour says: "We are going to do nothing that will hurt the stock." The following dispatch from New York was received by Schwartz & Dupee: "The talk that St. Paul stockholders may be given new stock in consideration for subscriptions to the bonds to be issued creates a great deal of comment. The company is bound to issue stock at par, but June 5, 1882, they issued $6,400,000 common and preferred, one-half of which was given to stockholders to represent surplus earnings and the other half was paid for at par. It was an issue of stock practically at 50. The same thing may be done now, or all may be issued for surplus earnings."

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@5. Sterling exchange active and firm at 487 for 60 days and 489 for demand. Government bonds were dull and firm today. State bonds were neglected. Railway bonds amounted to only $1,660,000. Prices were generally firm in the forenoon and steady later in the day, resulting in small advances for most of the securities dealt in. Nickel Plate trust certificates, however, rose 1½, to 95⅝, the advance being ascribed to the announcement that the Lake Shore Company had been given notice of foreclosure proceedings on the part of the Nickel-Plate bondholders' committee. The committee, it is stated, represent about $18,000,000 of the total issue of $15,000,000. Erie second consols were dull and closed with a loss of ⅝, at 90¾; bidders for over $32,000,000 out of a total of $33,597,400 have assented to the Drexel-Morgan funding scheme, by which 4 coupons will be converted into 5 per cent funding bonds and 1 coupon paid in cash. With the exception of two stocks business was very dull and decidedly featureless. The street was well supplied with reports regarding the proposed issue of additional bonds and stocks by the St. Paul Company, but nothing of an official character was obtained, and the meeting of the directors was still in session after the close of the exchange. The extreme fluctuations throughout the day showed a range of only ⅜, closing with a net loss of ⅜. Lackawanna continued to excite a good deal of interest, but its widest range was 1 per cent, and it closed ¼ lower. There was a somewhat irregular opening for the general list, followed by a slight advance, during which the highest prices of the day were generally made, and the only time in which there was any show of activity. There was a slow yielding of prices for fractional amounts until between 1 and 2 o'clock, followed by a small upward movement and then a downward tendency again which continued until the close, leaving prices generally ¼@⅜ lower than last evening. Louisville & Nashville is down 1½, Omaha common 1¾, and Pacific Mail and Western Union each ¾. The St. Paul and Duluth shares are fractionally higher.

Brown Brothers & Co. have engaged $500,000 in gold bars for shipment tomorrow by the steamer Oregon.

The total imports of dry goods at this port during the last week were valued at $1,988,817, and the amount thrown on the market at $2,317,205.

The following were the quotations on the New York Stock Exchange, with amount of sales during the day:

Description.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Last. Jan. 22	Last. Jan. 21
Can. Pac	1,175	68	67	67¾	67⅝
Canada So	1,950	40⅝	39¾	40¾	39⅝
Central Pac	100	41½	41⅜	41⅝	41¼
Ches. & O. 1st pfd	100	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝
Chicago & Alton	270	141	141	141	
C., B. & Q	1,710	137¾	137⅜	137¾	137⅜
C., C., I. & O	400	50¾	50¾	53	53
Del. & Hud	3,180	89⅝	88¾	89	89¼
D., L. & W	47,000	117¾	114¾	117¾	117¾
Erie	2,000	23¾	23¼	23¾	23¾
Do pfd	100	52¾	52¾	52¾	52¾
Do seconds		91	90¾	90¾	90¾
E. Tenn., & Ga. pfd	675	84	83¾	84	84
I., B. & W	1,100	20¾	20¼	20¾	20
Jersey Central	1,000	44	43¾	43¾	43¾
Kansas & Texas	9,415	30	29¾	29¾	29¾
L. E. & Western	300	15½	15	15	15
Lake Shore	32,170	95¾	95	94⅝	94⅝
Louisville & Nash	13,587	39⅜	38¾	38⅝	38¾
L., N. A. & C	170	36	36	36	
Manhattan Con	615	109¾	108¾	109¾	110¼
Mem. & Chas	100	45	45	45	
Mich. Cent	300	79½	69¾	70	69¾
Minn. & St. L. pfd	100	51	51	51	50¾
Mo. Pacific	200	109	109	109	109
N. Y. & N. E	8,950	39⅝	38¾	39⅝	38¾
N. Y., C. & St. L. pf	1,110	85¾	84¾	85¾	84¾
N. Y. Central	8,700	104¾	103¾	104¾	103¾
Nor. & W. pfd	200	28¾	28¾	28¾	27
Northern Pacific	4,500	35⅞	35⅜	35⅝	35⅜
Do pfd	8,105	58¾	58	58¾	58¾
Northwestern	12,400	108	107¼	107¾	107¼
Do pfd	2,700	138¾	137¾	138¾	138¾
Ohio & Miss	200	22¾	22	22	23¾
O. Ry. & N. Co	600	102	101¾	101¾	101¼
O. Transcon	2,700	30¾	30¼	30¾	30¼
Pacific Mail	14,105	58¾	57¾	57¾	58¾
P. P.-C. Co	10	134	134	134	
Pittsburgh	200	137¾	137¾	137¾	137¾
Rich. & Dan. ter. m	200	34¾	34	34	
Rock Island	10	129¾	129¾	129¾	129¾
St. P. & S. P. 1st pf	900	101¾	101¼	101¾	101¼
St. Paul		94¾	93¾	93¾	93⅝
Do pfd	425	121¾	121¾	121¾	121¾
St. P., M. & M	4,350	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾
Do pfd	1,200	102	101	101	101¾
St. P., M. & M	900	108¾	108	108¾	108¾
Texas Pacific	1,200	12¾	12¾	12¾	12¾
Union Pacific	15,050	51¾	50¾	50¾	50¾
West. Union	10,240	72¾	71¾	71¾	72¾

EXPRESS STOCKS.

Adams	143	Fargo	119
American	131½	United States	69

GOVERNMENT AND RAILROAD BONDS.

5 per cent bonds	103¾	St. P. & S. C. firsts	127
United States 4s	122¾	Tex. Pac. land grants	37½
United States 4½s	108¾	Do Gradings	20
Pacific 6s of '95	125¾	Union P. c. firsts	115
Central Pacific firsts	113¾	Do land grant	105¼
Do seconds	90¾	Do sinking fund	121¼
Lehigh & Wilk. (ofd)	104		

Bond transactions yesterday:

10 A. M. TO 12 M.			
6000 La cen stp 6s	73	10000 MASP1st-CP&W	103¾
7000 Atch Col & F 1st	103	10000 MASP1st-CP&W	103¼
12000 A & P inc	24¼@24⅜	5000 NYL&W 2nd cn	91
6000 C & O 1st pfd	106@106½	5000 SCal&S. 1st (con-	
30000 Can So 2d	86@86¾	vcrts)	94¼@95
18000 C & O cur	83¾@84	5000 NY C 6s of 1887	104
46000 C & O 4½s	92¾@93	5000 N J C cons 6s	119
1000 C Pac g bd	113¾	5.00 N P 1st cp	112
1000 C P 1st gt	104¾	13000 N Pac 2d cp	92
30000 D&RG W1s	74¼@75	1000 N J Cent ren	108
10000 E T 5s	74	1000 N W c cp gtd bds	123¾
1000 E T 1st pf cp	67¾@67¾	25000 ORAN 1st	112
15000 E Tenn inc	20¾	10000 Or Imp 1st cp	103¾
500 E & T Hist	112¾	19000 Ogn S L 6s	100¾@101
1000 E T&V & MVD 5s	105	10000 Or Im Co 1st	99¾
10000 Ft W & Dist	82¾@83	2000 O & M cons	120
10000 H&TCist—MLe	103¾	5000 H&D 1st 6s	112¾
5000 H&TCentW De cp	95¾	5000 St L&I M 5s	93
5000 H & S Jots con	79	7000 St J&GI 2d inc	
10000 I B & W cn inc	20¾@21		60¾@60¾
1000 I B & W 1st	97	1000 do (b bl)	60¾
15000 K Pac 1st cp	103¾	10000 St L&SF g 6s	103¾
5000 L N A & C 1st	102¾	7000 Tol & O C 1st	94¼
10000 L N A & C 2d	104¾	10000 Tr Pac inc 6s	39¾
4000 L & N trst bd 6s		40000 T&PI—RGDe cp	
	69¾@69¾		69¾@69¾
10000 L & N—NOR M5	101¾	1000 U Pac 1st	110¾
	101¾@101¾	1000 W St gd 4s	101⅜
7000 L H & M 1st	98@98¾	do	101⅜
1000 M U Tel 6s	81½	do	101⅜
10000 M & T gn 5s	76¼@76¾	5 Bk of State N Y	175
2000 M & T gen 6s	91	10 Mer Ex Bank	161
13000 M & T 1s-Ref 6s	100¾	10 Am Ex	107
70.0 do (cash)	100¾	10 Wells Fargo Ex	121½
6000 Met El 1st	103¾		

12 M. TO 2 P. M.			
2000 A & S 1st con	110	3000 MLS&W inc	34¼
1000 A & N con 6s	113	3000 M & O 1st db	62
1000 A & T 1st m	117	5000 Mut Elevist	115¾
1000 A & P inc	24¼	5000 N J C con 7s	145
12000 C C & I g m		1500 MASP1st-CP&W	103¾
	103¾@103¾	1000 M of Ind 5s	103
11000 C O & S W mtg	91	10000 NYL&W 2d cn	90¾
1000 do (cash)	91¾	20000 N Y C & St L 1st	
2000 C & O cur	83¾@83¾		95¼@95¾
1000 C & N W cn cp	133	8000 N Pac1st cp	112¾@113
1000 C P & Ash 7s	116	4000 NO Pist cp on	57¾
1000 D L & W 7s	140	1000 O & T W 1st	103¾
6000 E T V & G 5s	74	1000 O So 1st	95¾@96
1000 E T 5s ecp	67@67¾	2000 Pa Co 4½ cp	103
1000 E T 1st inc	20¾	1000 Pa Co 4½ cp	103
31000 Ft W & D 1st	82¾@83	5000 So P of N M 1st	100¾
13000 G C&SFgd 6s	87¼	15000 SL&SFg m	89¾@90
5000 G R & I 2d	108	5000 SL&SF—O D	103
5000 G W 1st 8s	114	6000 StP M & M 2d	120
13000 I B&W cn ins	19¾@20	6000 T&O Con 1st	94¾@95
1000 Ind 1st cp 6s	115	5000 SL&K W 1st	104¾@105
1000 Ind 1st	115	1000 T & W 2d	104
2000 Knox & Ohio	88½	4000 T&NOIst-Sab D	101
1000 L E & W 1st	104	1000 U Pac 1st	110¾
1000 L A—C Br	109	5000 W S gtds	101¾
12000 M Un 6s	104@104¼	50 Met Bank	317½
5000 M L&W Mch D	103¾		

2 P. M. TO 3 P. M.			
5000 N Cr spl tax	81	5000 MLS&W—MchD	103¾
10000 Tenn 6s	54¼@54¾		103¾@104
1000 A & S con 6s	91¾	1000 M K&T gn 6s	91¾
2000 B & O 5s	110	25000 MASP1st-CP&W	103¾
1000 C Coal 6s	93	30.0 MASP1st—W&M	103¾
1000 C C C & I con s f	124	5000 MASP1st—Tm 6s	103¾
11500 C&Ost Sr B ex cp		10000 NYC&SL 1st tr rc	95¾
	5.00	10000 NYC&SL 1st 6s	104
2000 C & O 6s 1911	98¾	10000 NYS&W 1st ex cp	77
25000 C & M 1st	126¾	10000 NW cnv gtd bds	140
35000 CH&P ext 5s	76¾	9000 N W con g	142
1300 Can So 2d	86¾	5000 NYC&SL 1st 126	129¾
1000 C & N W cn	133	4000 N Pac 1st cp	112¾
4000 E Tenn inc	20	10000 N P 2d cp	112¾
25000 Ft W & D 1st	82¾@83	3000 O S L 5s	101
10000 H & H W 1st	104¾	10000 O T 1st	103¾
1000 G & S F gtd 6s	87¼	5000 Or & N con 6s	103¾
4000 K P 1 con	109@109¼	2000 Ohio So 1st	99¾

6000 StPM & M 1 con 6s	135		
4000 St J & G I 2d inc	61		
7000 T P & R or cp	49¾		
10000 Wst L&P—D D	78		
44000 W S gtd 4s	101¾		
20 Am Ex	102¾		
6 Wells F Ex	120		

BOSTON.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 29.—[Special.]—Stock transactions today:

	Sales.	First.	High.	Low.	Last.
Bell Telephone	100	160	162	160	162
Atchison	2,040	90¾	91	90¾	91
Franklin	50	103½	103½	103½	103½

PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The market closed unsettled: Pennsylvania, 53 bid, 53¾ asked; Lehigh Valley, 56¾ bid, 57 asked; Lehigh Navigation, sales at 46¾.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, Jan. 22—5 p. m.—Consols, 100 1-16 for money and 100⅛ for the account; Atlantic & Great Weste n firsts, 35½; do seconds, 10¾; Canadian Pacific, 68½; Erie, 23; do seconds, 80¾; Mexican ordinary, 26; St. Paul common, 95¾; New York Central, 104½; Pennsylvania, 54¼; Reading, 10½.

The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance today is £10,000.

PARIS, Jan. 22.—Three per cent rentes, 81 35c for the account.

BERLIN, Jan. 22.—The Bank of Germany has reduced its rate of discount from 4 per cent to 3½ per cent.

MINING STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The mining shares market was extremely dull, with a few sales in Central Arizona at 9c; Silver Cliff, 7c; Colorado Central, $2.25; Eureka, $2.20; Moulton, $1.25; Red Elephant, 3c; Bulwer, 5c; Caledonia, B. H., $2.00.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 22.—Mining stocks closed as follows: Alta, 25c; Bulwer, 40c; Best & Belcher, 80c; Bodie Consolidated, $1.61¼; Choller, 40c; Consolidated California & Virginia, $2.00; Consolidated Pacific, 45c; Crown Point, 75c; Eureka Consolidated, $2.25; Gould & Curry, 75c; Hale & Norcross, $2.37½; Mexican, 35c; Mono, $3.75; Navajo, 15c; Ophir, 60c; Union Consolidated, 25c; Yellow Jacket, 95c.

MARKETS.

The leading produce markets were more active yesterday, and the average feeling was stronger in grain, while provisions tended to a lower range. The news that another cold wave was on the way hither did not make much difference to the course of prices, except as it tended to strengthen corn and oats on the near deliveries, those cereals being in low stock.

Provisions were less active and easier. Hogs were quoted firm at the outset, but did not hold out, and there was more bearishness on the part of the big operators in product. Jones sold about 20,000 brls May pork, which forced it down to $11.17½, being nearly 20c below the latest price of Thursday, and sold a little more after it had gone up 10c. Cudahy sold about 15,000 brls, and Balding and Castlin were the chief purchasers. Pork reacted to $11.35, and fell back to $11.25 on some selling on country orders. February was about 30c discount. Other articles were dull; lard closed the same as the previous day, at $6.35, and ribs 2½c lower, at $5.52½, both for May. Cash sales were reported of 250 brls old pork at $10.00; 1,300 tcs lard at $6.15@6.17½; 200 tcs sweet-pickled shoulders at 4¼c; 25,000 lbs short ribs at $5.35; and 2,000 pcs green hams (11 lbs) at 8¼c.

Flour was steadier, but without much demand that showed up on the floor, though there were rumors of business on the quiet for export. Sales were reported of 1,120 brls and 1,710 sacks, equal to about 2,300 brls, at $3.90 for Wisconsin springs, $3.00 for low grades, and $3.50 for buckwheat.

Wheat was again quite active and very much stronger. London reported an advance of 3d per quarter on California club, and our receipts were only thirty car-loads, while there were notes of a continued good cash demand for wheat by millers at interior points in this country. This helped the market up ¼c, to 85¼c for May, but there was so little demand at the advance that the local crowd began selling, and some of them thought a big long was trying to unload. On this it fell back to 85c with news of more gold being under orders for export, and then improved to 86¼c because of news that New York and Duluth were selling wheat for export. Kent was understood to be the largest buyer of the day. January was discounted about 5¼c. Cash No. 2 spring in store sold at 79¾c for regular, and hard do at 84½c. Free on board lots sold at 83c for No. 2 and on track at 52c for no grade. Total cash sales about 22,000 bu. In red winter wheat 1 car No. 4 sold at 57c, free on board.

Corn was in much better demand speculatively, but cash lots were not much wanted. Our receipts were very small, and Liverpool was called 3d higher, while the weather did not favor large receipts here during the next few days. February advanced ¼c, to 37¼c at the close, Warren having bought about 200,000 bu, and Norton-Worthington took a good deal for this month. May advanced ⅜c, to 41c at the close, with Irwin-Green selling at the top. Cash No. 2 in store sold at 36¾@36¾c, with 37¼c bid for No. 2 yellow, and No. 3 sold sparingly at 33c. Free-on-board lots sold at 36@38½c for No. 2 yellow, 35@36c for No. 3 yellow, 34@35½c for No. 3, and 33¼@34¼c for No. 4. Total cash sales about 101,000 bu.

Oats were strong, with a fair volume of trading. January advanced ¼c, February ⅜c, and May ¼c. The latter opened at 32c, declined to 31¾, advanced to 32¼c, and closed at 31½c bid. January was 2¾c and February 2¾c discount. No. 2 in store was quotably 29¼c. The sample market was firm under small offerings, which were taken by the city trade, shippers being unable to buy at the current rates. Choice lots sold ½c better in some instances. No. 2 sold in store at 30c. Free-on-board lots sold at 28¼@30¼c for No. 2, 32@33c for No. 3 white, 30¾@31c for No. 2, and 34c for No. 2 white. Total cash sales 40 cars, or about 35,000 bu.

Rye was about ½c higher, in sympathy with wheat. January sold at 57@57½c, closing at 57¼c, February at 58¼c, and March at 59c, closing at 58¾c bid. May was offered at 62¼c, with 62c bid. No. 2 in store sold at 57c. Sales by sample were: 1 car No. 2 on track at 58c; 1 car do, free on board, at 58¼c.

Barley was easy, and sales limited to sample lots. Offerings and demand light. No. 2 in store was quotably 64c for No. 2, 44c for No. 3, and 36c for No. 4. Free on board lots sold at $11.00 per ton for screenings, 45@48c for No. 4, and 48@70c for No. 3. Total cash sales 32 cars, or about 20,000 bu.

Millstuffs advanced 25c all round under light offerings and a good demand. Quotations were as follows: Winter-wheat bran, $11.75@12.25; choice spring-wheat bran, $11.75@12.00; medium and fine, $11.25@11.50; coarse middlings, $11.25@11.50 and fine $11.75@13.00. Sales were: 1 car middlings at $11.75; 1 car wheat screenings at $10.00.

The seed market was firm and quiet. Timothy was steady at $1.77½ for prime spot seed, a carload selling at that. February delivery sold at $1.79, closing at $1.79½ bid. Clover was 5c higher, prime spot seed selling at $5.85. An ordinary lot sold at $5.80. Flax advanced ½c. No. 1 on track sold at $1.13. Receipts, 4 cars. The demand was fair. February delivery sold at $1.12¾ and $1.13¾ was bid for March.

The street markets were dull. A large volume of orders have been received for perishable products, but the weather is against their being shipped. The butter, grocery, and hay markets were unchanged. An active demand was noted for old cream and skim cheese for export, but beyond this the market was quiet, as nothing could be sent out by freight. The recent advance in broom-corn has rather stimulated trade than otherwise, a number of car-loads having been sold this week. Prices were fully sustained, except that a few cars of very rough commission stock had to be shaded a little. Dealers feel confident that the situation of the market is such, owing to the scarcity of stock, that another advance will take place before the end of this month. The hardware, iron, and general metal markets have been quiet all the week, the snow blockades restricting trade. Steel rails are quoted at $34.00 at Eastern mills and $36.00 at Western mills for standard heavy sections. Business in the dry-goods market was moderately active, with the orders from representatives in the country increasing. The demand is of a miscellaneous character, extending to goods of all descriptions, including a good inquiry for specialties.

A sample of New York No. 2 red wheat was exhibited on 'Change here yesterday, and generally pronounced to be a good article. There was in it a little more of poor grain than most persons in the trade would deem desirable, but the general average was that of a very fair quality.

A privilege of membership in the Chicago Board of Trade was reported yesterday as having sold at $2,850. It was also said that certain parties on the floor are agitating the proposition to make the commercial reporters for the daily papers take out tickets of membership. It is fair to ask what good end would be accomplished by that. It would gratify the self-esteem of one or two men who have been refused free tickets, and then. ——?

It is reported that rather large quantities of lard are coming hither from packing points in the West seeking a market which is not met with at home. This, although we are so very dull here. And this leads to the remark that our market might be very much improved in activity by the adoption of some other than the present plan of trading in lard futures. Either make the unit lot 100 tcs or make the price to change on 1c per 100 lbs. This would bring the risk of loss on change in price to very nearly the same figure as the change of 2½c on 250 brls of pork. No alteration in the rules of the board is needed to effect this reform. It is simply to be said by the trade and it is done.

One of the reasons assigned yesterday for selling wheat was a report that the Manitoba Road has now more wheat in store along its lines than at any other time. But this is no new story, and it is true of other roads as well as that. Perhaps it may be as well also to remember that the act had been pretty well discounted already.

A correspondent wants to know what is a "picnic ham." We reply that it is a hog shoulder, usually a small one. The name of "California ham" has heretofore been given to the same article.

New York sold 20 boat-loads of wheat yesterday, part to go to Antwerp, and reported a good export demand otherwise. Notes of a good export inquiry came also from Duluth.

Another 100,000 bu of wheat is reported to have been bought in Buffalo to go to a point in Ohio for milling there.

It is said that the beautifully involuted lines that have heretofore been drawn in two colors on the weather-map on 'Change will be drawn no more without a draft on the treasury of the board to meet the expense. That "high old time" the barometer has had out in the region of Minnedosa for a fortnight past may continue to distribute cold waves even if it be not every day depicted on the blackboard.

Yesterday was the first time in a good while that our wheat market has shown itself able to stand up under the dumping process. For a very long while very little advance was lost by the throwing of a lot of wheat on the scalping plan, those tactics winning regularly by giving the bulls more than they could take care of. They took it yesterday, and, like the boy told of in "Oliver Twist," they asked for "more."

Folks estimate that the statement the 2d of next month will show about 270,000 brls pork in stock here, including old, and the fear of the statement makes them bearish.

William Young's telegraphic advices from the Northwest yesterday indicate that the farmers in that section have sold very few of their receipts within the last ten days, the selling being limited to a few who were frozen out on margins, and that the local milling demand is increasing.

The following table shows the range of the day on the leading classes of trade in provisions and grain; also the latest (regular) buyers' prices for round lots compared with the previous day. A star (*) indicates that sellers ask more than 2½c for provisions or ½c in grain above the figures bid:

MESS PORK.

	Closed Thursday.	Range yesterday.	Closed yesterday.
February	$11.05	$10.87½@11.00	$10.90
March	11.15	10.97½@11.10	11.05
May	11.35	11.15 @11.32½	11.25

LARD—PER 100 LBS.

February	$ 6.17½	$ 6.15 @ 6.17½	$ 6.15
March	6.22½	6.20 @ 6.22½	6.20
May	6.35	6.35 @ 6.37½	6.35

MEATS—BOXED 25 CENTS MORE THAN LOOSE.

February	$ 5.35	$ 5.35 @ 5.37½	$ 5.37½
March	5.42½	5.40 @ 5.45	5.42½
May	5.55	5.50 @ 5.55	5.52½

WHEAT.

February	79	79¼@ 80¼	80¼
March	79¾	79¾@ 81	81
May	84¾	85 @ 86¼	86¼

CORN.

February	36¾	36¾@ 37¼	37¼
March	36¾	36¾@ 37¼	37¼
May	40¾	40¾@ 41	40¾

OATS.

No. 2	29¾	—@—	29¾
February	29¾	—@ 29	29¾
May	31¾	31¾@ 32¼	32¼

The following were the latest buyers' prices for the corresponding day last year:

	February.	March.	May.
No. 2 spring	$ 80¾	$ 81¼	$ 86¾
No. 2 corn	38½		41¾
No. 2 oats	28¾		31¾
Pork	12 12½	12 22½	12 47½
Lard	6.80	6.87½	7.07½
Short ribs	6.15	6.20	6.35

The following were the receipts and shipments of the leading articles of produce in this city during the 24 hours ending at 6 o'clock Thursday evening, and for the corresponding time a year ago:

ARTICLES.	RECEIPTS. 1886.	RECEIPTS. 1885.	SHIPMENTS. 1886.	SHIPMENTS. 1885.
Flour, brls	7,155	14,270	5,095	6,038
Wheat, bu	10,905	76,784	10,470	20,567
Corn, bu	104,826	192,027	76,708	151,511
Oats, bu	62,728	82,704	45,443	57,304
Rye, bu	1,053	4,657	1,000	1,276
Barley, bu	45,214	43,929	21,550	14,490
Grass seed, lbs	139,350	182,275	117,300	27,076
Hay, tons	1,374	1,021	1,547	1,308
Broom-corn, lbs		54,185	51,450	87,054
Cured meats, lbs	648,000	359,220	2,498,980	3,410,541
Canned meats, cases	1,400	.....	1,400	1,938
Dressed beef, lbs	41,500	.....	1,711,694	675,070
Beef, tcs		.....	95	33
Beef, brls		.....	55	24
Pork, brls	15	155	528	792
Lard, lbs	214,207	178,100	898,361	888,357

AN AUTHOR'S INVENTION.

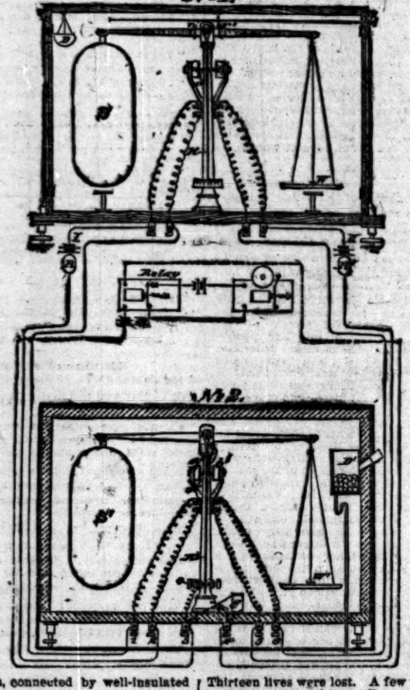
Henry Guy Carleton's Device for Preventing Disasters from Fire-Damp in Mines.

A Contrivance That Surmounts Obstacles Hitherto Unconquered by Anything in Its Line.

The Inventor Bestows His Production Gratis on the World, in Hope of Saving Life.

Mr. Henry Guy Carleton, the author, has come to the front as a philanthropist, in the invention of an ingenious and sorely-needed contrivance for the purpose of indicating the presence or approach of fire-damp and other dangerous gases in coal mines. The idea is bestowed gratis on the world by the inventor, he declining to take out patents on any of the parts or devices which enter into the construction of the machine. As experts, who have examined it, pronounce it precisely what has been needed ever since the earliest annals of coal-mining, and, as it may be put into any mine at slight expense, it is possible that Mr. Carleton's invention may serve to shorten the catalog of horrors that the newspapers of America and Great Britain annually have to chronicle. Copies and descriptions of the plans have been forwarded to the English "Royal Commission on Accidents in Mines," of which Sir Frederick A. Abel is President, and to a number of prominent Englishmen who are likely to be interested in the subject.

The apparatus consists, essentially, of one or more indicating balances to be permanently placed in a goaf or drift in the mine, and a registering balance to be used by the observer in



the testing-room, connected by well-insulated wires as shown in the accompanying cut. Each balance holds in equilibrium a thin glass bulb of about 800 cubic inches capacity, hermetically sealed. They are counterbalanced at the same moment by the weights, W and W, respectively, and hence will be equally affected by future variations in the atmospheric pressure. Attached to the vertical arm or pointer, H, of each balance is a soft iron needle, *d*, gilded to prevent rusting. Its ends plunge freely into helices of insulated wire, *a* and *b*. The helices of both instruments are identical in size and electrical resistance, and exert but feeble influence on the needles with an ordinary current.

The right-hand helix of balance No. 1 is connected with the right-hand helix of balance No. 2, and is supplied from battery two with a current whose strength can be lessened or increased, enabling the magnetic force of the helices to be regulated exactly. The left-hand helices are similarly connected. The vertical arm, H, of balance No. 2 has a platinum tip capable of electrical contact with the insulated screw, C. Connection from the binding post to the vertical arm is made by the mercury cup into which a wire from the beam is dipped. Contact between B and C the relay in the observing room is kept closed. Breaking contact opens the relay, whose back stroke shunts the local circuit on the belt, ringing it continuously. The case surrounding balance No. 2 is of marble or unglazed tiling, excluding air currents and dust, yet admitting gases by diffusion. Chloride of calcium in the holder D keeps the interior free from moisture, the whole being protected by a perforated iron case as shown.

ARRANGING THE APPARATUS.

Balance No. 1, in the observing-room, is provides with two riders, moved along the graduated beam, as shown. If more delicate readings are desired, additional riders of less weight may be also employed, a separate way being provided for the beam. Balance No. 1 is incased, dried by chloride of calcium, and placed in a room artificially maintained at constant temperature by means well known. Both instruments are balanced at the same moment by their weights, W and W, respectively. The case of balance No. 2 is then filled with pure fire-damp at normal pressure, obtained from a blower in the mine. Care, of course, must be taken to keep a stream of the gas flowing in to counteract the diffusion of air through the case. Bulb S will now sink, its increase in weight being about thirty-nine times. H will break contact with C, and the bell rings. The observer now switches on battery 1, which applies a force of say forty-five grains through helix, *a'*, to the needle attached to the vertical arm of balance No. 2. This more than compensates for the increase of weight, H is brought back to *c*, and the bell ceases to ring. The observer now throws in small resistances until H breaks again, and has finally satisfies himself that the amount of force applied through helix, *a'*, of the distant instrument is just enough to balance it and no more. Now, as this amount of force is also exerted by helix, *a*, upon the needle of balance No. 1, its equilibrium is disturbed. Rider, *r*, is therefore shifted until equilibrium is restored. The position of this rider equals the force applied through helix, *a*; equals the force applied through the helix of the distant instrument, No. 2, and necessarily equals the increased weight of the bulb S in pure fire-damp.

THE GENERAL SYSTEM.

Applied to a general system a number of balances like No. 2 would be placed in various sections of the mine, the left-hand helices all being on one circuit and the right-hand helices on another, connected with the one balance to be used in the observing-room. Separate wires would be run for the helis serving to indicate the movements of each instrument. The test would then be simultaneous, full battery power being thrown on and then gradually weakened by the rheostat, measurements being taken on the observer's balance as each successive warning that one or more of the distant balances were in equilibrium. These tests would be frequently made, and notification promptly signaled to the miners in any part in which a dangerous percentage was observed or to the fire boss and his assistants.

WHERE THE INVENTION EXCELS.

The great desideratum of a fire-damp indicator is to enable an observer from the Superintendent's office to test all parts of the mine for even small percentages. The chief excellence of all systems yet devised are: First, varying barometric pressure; second, varying degree of moisture; third, the fact that the force upon which all diffusion apparatus depends is only momentary. Mr. Carleton's invention is independent of moisture, barometric pressure, and works on specific gravity, with a given percentage of gas, is constant. That no means has yet been devised in full and for overcoming the difficulties above stated the following letter from James Willis, Government Inspector of Mines, will show. It was written to Joseph Hatton, the novelist, in answer to an inquiry from this city through Mr. Hatton respecting the fire-damp detectors already in use in England:

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE, Jan. 7, 1886.—*Dear Sir:* I am not aware of the existence of any patent in this country for such an instrument, nor am I aware of such an instrument being in practical use. Some years ago a Mr. Ansell of the Royal Mint (since dead, I believe) introduced an ingenious instrument for showing the percentage of fire-damp in any atmosphere into which the instrument might be carried. It was based on the diffusion of cases. It was only practical to a very limited degree, because, if permitted to rest in the place containing the gas, the very law upon which it was based soon brought its index back to zero, for very soon, by diffusion, the mixture of air and gas would be equalized. Its action was by moving a small or fine column of mercury, and thus making "contact" in an electrical arrangement for giving a signal at any distance. I do not think there is one in use in this country.

Mr. Liveing also designed an instrument for the purpose of showing the percentage, but only at the place where it was tried. This depended upon the difference of the intensity of two electric lights —very feeble, of course—one being in vacuo, the other burning in the atmosphere being tested, and, of course, carefully surrounded by wire gauze like a safety-lamp.

One of the professors at Aberdeen also designed one, somewhat on the principle of a musical tuning-fork.

The two latter I have seen tried together in the same working. One gave 2 per cent, the other 8 per cent of gas. In my opinion a good safety-lamp and a practical man with good eyesight would tell you as much as one of the inventions I have mentioned. A lamp will tell you at once the difference between non-explosive and explosive proportions —perhaps, however, not lower than 4 per cent of gas—but as soon as you see it in either condition you had better get away from it and take steps to have it removed.

JAMES WILLIS,
Government Inspector of Mines.

The main achievement in the new invention is the means by which the most delicate disturbance of a specific gravity balance may be accurately measured from any distance and the means by which it is made independent of barometric pressure and kept free from the influence of moisture. The experiments with it gave indications to one-third of 1 per cent, with a balance sensitive to one-tenth of a grain. The number of explosions caused by making tests with safety-lamps makes it obvious that other and more accurate means are greatly to be desired. The recent explosion in Wyoming was caused by the testers with safety-lamps. Thirteen lives were lost. A few weeks ago an explosion occurred in a Pennsylvania mine, killing seven men. This also happened while tests were being made with the safety-lamps.

THE WHEAT SUPPLY.

RECEIPTS AT MINNEAPOLIS—SOME PERTINENT QUESTIONS FROM AN IOWA OBSERVER.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—During the twenty-four hours ended at 6 o'clock last night 138 cars of wheat arrived in Minneapolis. At 12 o'clock today there were eighty-eight cars moving on the Milwaukee Road, the wheat-trains being temporarily side-tracked on account of the weather. The road is not blockaded, however. There were sixty-five cars of wheat on outside sidings. Country receipts yesterday were no better than earlier in the week, and for today nothing can be expected, as the extreme cold weather, with the present disposition of farmers not to accept prevailing prices, will naturally cut off all receipts. There is a better demand for milling wheat from outside points, and it is expected more of it will now in store at country stations will go out on such orders—considerable of it without passing through Minneapolis. Of the wheat on passage for Minneapolis today the bulk of it is of millers' purchases that has been held in the country and is coming forward for current use of the mills. Only a small part of that arriving will be used as exceeding in the shape of flour. There are twelve mills in operation today. These would be able to make well up toward 20,000 barrels of flour a day if they were not troubled with low water. As it is, 13,000 to 14,000 barrels are about all that are expected for the twenty-four hours. The turn in prices of wheat has changed the tenor of inquiries for flour. Figures not accepted by buyers four days ago are well received by them today. Millers are believers in better prices for their products.

STORM LAKE, Ia., Jan. 22.—[Editor of The Tribune.]—Being engaged in a small way in growing wheat in Iowa and in Minnesota, I have read with interest your recent editorial on the wheat question, and I would like to ask a few questions, for my own information simply, touching upon the invisible demand for the wheat now in sight.

First—I see by the market quotations that many millions of bushels of No. 2 wheat are being sold for delivery next May in Chicago at 84 cents per bushel. Where are the sellers of that wheat going to obtain their supplies from? Are there any grain bins to be tapped in Iowa, Minnesota, Dakota, Nebraska, or Kansas? Will not the 14,000,000 bushels in Chicago elevators be called upon to supply the demand that will exist in May next, if the purchasers should call for the actual delivery of the wheat? From reports of sales one would be led to imagine that over 100,000,000 bushels was in store in sight ready to be delivered at Chicago, and what puzzles me is to know whether those who have warehouse receipts for the property being bought and sold so freely will yield it up.

Second—How does it come that a quality of wheat a little inferior to what would grade as No. 2 in Chicago is selling in Minneapolis today by sample to come down into Iowa, Nebraska, and Kansas for milling purposes at a price higher than No. 2 wheat is selling for in Chicago? With an invisible but certain demand for seeding purposes of one and three-fourths bushels per acre for 13,000,000 acres to be seeded next March and April, making an aggregate of 23,000,000 in round figures, where are we going to get the excess that will be wanted to go to Chicago to fill the sales so freely made for future delivery? From my own personal knowledge I know that hardly any No. 2 wheat was raised in Iowa last year, nearly all the wheat raised in Iowa being No. 3, No. 4, and rejected, being very inferior stuff for flour-making purposes, and the yield was not at all equal to ten and a half bushels per acre, the Government report average. Very few thrashers reported a yield of thirteen bushels, and many averages were below eight, in some cases the returns being only five or six bushels per acre. The same condition of things existed in parts of Minnesota, parts of Nebraska, and in large areas of Kansas, so that, as stated above, I am greatly puzzled to know where the excessive quantities of No. 2 spring wheat are to come from aside from Milwaukee, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Duluth.

JOSEPH SAMPSON.

MICE AND BEES.

Mice recently took possession of two beehives at Bordentown, N. J., drove out the bees, and ate half the honey.

Two Fine Specimens.

Some of the most exquisite designs in stained glass ever seen in the West are to be found in the St. Paul's Church and the Chapman Building at Milwaukee.

THE COURTS.

A Policy-Holder's Curious Attack Upon a New York Life-Insurance Company.

The Board of Trade Telegraph Company—Jerome B. Chambers' Will Admitted to Probate.

A bill of a very peculiar character was filed yesterday in the United States Circuit Court by Charles A. Brown against the Mutual Life-Insurance Company of New York asking for an accounting. Brown says that some years ago he took out a policy in the defendant company in favor of the company on the semi-endowment plan, by which he was to have $5,000 if he lived the twenty years and $10,000 if he died sooner. The annual premium was $375. He got a divorce from his wife subsequently, and the policy was turned over to his wife, but he learned the policy was void because she had then no insurable interest in his life, and went to the company to have it surrendered. They offered him a paid-up, non-forfeitable policy for $675 if he lived the twenty years out, or $1,350 if he died before, but he was not satisfied with it. In his bill he then goes on to make an attack on the company, charging that it could not afford to insure him for $375 on $10,000, and that to pay him it must rob from other policy-holders. He also accuses the company with turning his dividends into paid-up additions to his policy so as to cover up its expenses and make it appear as though its insurance was cheaper than it really was: with perpetrating a fraud on its policy-holders in offering insurance below cost; and with pushing a bill through the New York Legislature authorizing it to use one-third of its reserve, so that it could cover up its losses by applying this reserve to reduce the expense account. Brown appears as his own solicitor, and he is evidently an insurance man, as his bill bristles with pages of formidable figures to show the actual cost of his insurance and how much the company must, in his opinion, have lost to issue insurance at the low rate it did.

THE BOARD OF TRADE TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

Judge Moran yesterday afternoon decided the motion for injunction in the case of C. W. Brega against the Board of Trade Telegraph Company to restrain E. S. Stokes from voting on the 587 shares of stock held by him. The Judge said it was immaterial as to what were the effects of the foreclosure proceedings in New York, as the legal title to the disputed stock was held by Dimock and by him transferred to the Farmers' Loan & Trust Company. The complainant insisted the certificate was issued by the Secretary of the company without any action by the directors and without any opportunity to them to preëmpt it. But it was sufficient if a stock certificate in proper was found in Stokes' hands. It gave him the legal title on which he was entitled to vote. The motion for injunction would therefore be overruled.

A meeting of the stockholders will be held this afternoon at the Grand Pacific Hotel for the election of directors, when it is expected a very lively time will be had.

A PROFITABLE ICE-MACHINE PATENT.

Granville M. Dodge and James R. Searing filed a bill yesterday in the Superior Court against Edgar G. Wheeler to obtain possession of half the stock of the Wheeler Refrigerating-Machine Company. Dodge says that in 1875 he agreed to furnish Wheeler whatever moneys he needed for securing patents for the manufacture of ice in Europe, and in return was to have a half interest in such patents and in the profits derived therefrom or from the manufacture of ice or machines. In October last Wheeler, having procured a patent and also having obtained licenses to use other patents, organized the Wheeler Refrigerating-Machine Company, and subscribed for $299,800 out of the $300,000 of the stock. This was paid for by a transfer to the company of his patent and licenses. Dodge has so far advanced $18,759, but says he has never received any interest in the patent or any of the stock, or even an accounting, and he now asks for a settlement and an injunction to prevent any transfer of the stock.

A JEWELER'S ESTATE.

The will of Jerome Bonaparte Chambers of the firm of J. B. Chambers & Co., doing business at Clark and Madison streets, was admitted to probate. He died at No. 622 Washington boulevard Jan. 15. The personal estate is estimated at nearly $100,000, and consists of household goods, horses, carriages, etc., at his home, and a half interest in the stock of jewelry at the store, together with certain moneys, notes, and mortgages. There is also some real estate. By the will Alice F. Chambers, the widow, John A. Farwell, a surviving partner, and William R. Lyon are named as executors. Mr. Lyon renounced his right to act as executor, and the heirs of the estate filed their consent to allow Farwell, the surviving partner, to serve in that capacity. His heirs at law are his wife, Mrs. Alice F. Chambers, a son, Beverly R. Chambers, and a daughter, Mrs. Ava W. Farwell. All the household goods and belongings are left to the widow, together with a half-interest in all the rest of the estate. The other half is to be divided equally between the two children. The entire estate, real and personal, is said to be worth nearly $200,000.

ITEMS.

Hiland G. Batcheller took default before Judge Gary against James D. Fish, Ulysses S. Grant Jr., and Ferdinand Ward for $22,753 in the attachment suit recently begun against that firm in the Superior Court.

THE RECORD.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—NEW SUITS.

20,015—Simon Mandell vs. Lizzie R. McCleaved, E. T. Cleveland, and A. T. Van Alstyn & Company. Bill to foreclose mortgage for $900 on E. ½ of Lot 3, Block 5 of Woodruff's Addition to Rockford. Flower, Remy & Gregory, solrs.

20,016—Charles A. Brown vs. Mutual Life-Insurance Company of New York.

JUDGMENT.

JUDGE DIER—134—D. A. Goodyear vs. Philander N. Aldrich and George W. Aldrich, executors of James S. Waterman; verdict, $21,050.

SUPERIOR COURT—NEW SUITS.

101,073—Josephine H. Coggeshall vs. John V. Farwell and wife. Asst., $800. Lynden Evans, atty.

101,074—Edward Cook & Co. vs. Ruel G. Rounds. Asst., $600. Hugh L. Mason, atty.

101,075—Union Trust Company vs. Baker Bag Company and William Baker. Confession of judgment. $3,088. Holden & Farson, attys.

101,076—James R. Smith vs. Frederick H. Long. Confession of judgment, $1,340. W. G. & A. T. Ewing, attys.

101,077—William Raymond et al. vs. M. A. Driscoll. Asst., $800. Charles A. Alberding, atty.

101,078—Samuel J. Glover vs. Johanna Wargousky, Edward Stangler Jr., T. A. Considine, and J. H. Hoff. Bill to foreclose deed for $500 on Lot 40 in Glover's Sub. of the N. ½ of Block 61 in Sec. 19, 39, 14. Le Moyne, solr.

101,079—Same vs. Annie Gnott and Eddie, May, and Annie Gnott, and J. H. Hoff. Bill to foreclose trust deed for $600 on Lot 45 in same sub. as above. Same solr.

101,080—Samuel Gehr, trustee, vs. Emerson C. Felton. Confession of judgment, $198. R. W. Gehr, atty.

101,081—Henry Curtis vs. Jacob Blattan. Attchd., $1,377. Barnum, Rubens & Ames, attys.

101,082—Harmony Brick Company et al. vs. Melvin J. Wheeler, Thomas Mitchell, and T. B. Needles. Garnishment. Campbell, Hamilton & Custer, attys.

101,083—Harmony Brick Company et al. vs. Melvin J. Wheeler, Thomas Mitchell, and T. B. Needles. Garnishment. Campbell, Hamilton & Custer, attys.

101,084—Fred P. Read vs. John A. Rice. Asst., $2,500. Peabody, Corwith & Brown, solrs.

101,085—Simeon M. Rising et al. vs. William B. White. Asst., $700. F. A. Johnson, atty.

101,086—W. H. Hamilton vs. Ira B. Harrey. Bill for specific performance. Lamb & Chase, solrs.

101,087—Michael Murray vs. T. T. Brown et al. Appeal.

101,088—Mary C. Rathbun vs. Frank A. Rathbun. Bill for divorce for adultery. W. H. Risson, solr.

101,089—Valentine Blatz vs. Same. Confession of judgment, $528. Francis Lackner, atty.

101,090—Attchd. Suppressed.

101,091—Peter Schuetz Packing Co. vs. Henry Rawich. Confession of judgment, $552. F. J. Loesch, atty.

101,092—Same vs. Same. Confession of judgment, $268. Same, atty.

101,093—Joseph Jones vs. Martha Jones. Bill for divorce for desertion. J. C. Turnes, solr.

101,094—Granville M. Dodge et al. vs. Edgar G. Wheeler, R. L. Davis, Daniel T. Corbin, and R. B. Paine. Bill for an accounting and desertion. Dent, Hinds & Crafts, solrs.

101,095—Louis C. Wachsmuth et al. vs. Osmond Fox. Attchd., $563. Clifford, Anthony & Paulsen, attys.

101,096—Jerome B. Hayes vs. Chancelor L. Jenks. Asst., $2,500. G. W. Plummer, atty.

101,097—Geo. H. Hansel vs. Christine C. Hansel. Bill for divorce for adultery. Turner & Rogers, solrs.

Suppressed Wednesday—101,041—Marion C. Daggett vs. George H. Daggett. Bill for divorce for adultery. John E. Burke, solr.

101,043—Charles Kominski vs. Charles W. Wertzler, Herman Felsenthal, Mary C. Herzog, William Zeckriner, William Hoffman, Annie Wertzler, and M. C. Wertzler. Creditor's bill, $340. Moses, Newman & Reed, solrs.

Suppressed Thursday—101,048—Edward A. Prior et al. vs. Louis Reinach, Jacob Reinach, and Dietrich Kahn. Attchd., $600. Moses, Newman & Reed, solrs, attys.

101,052—Wrightsville Hardware Co. vs. Louis Reinach, Jacob Reinach, and Dietrich Kahn. Assumpsit, $700. McClellan & Cummings, attys.

101,053—Baning, Conover & Co. vs. Moses Simon. Assumpsit, $1,000. Wegley, Bulkley & Griffin, attys.

101,071—James S. Morton et al. vs. W. W. Abbott, C. J. Abbott, and G. C. Whipple & Co. Bill for dissolution of partnership. Washburn & Bowman, solrs.

VERDICTS AND JUDGMENTS.

JUDGE GARY—4,017. Hiland C. Batcheller vs. James D. Fish, T. S. Grant, and Ferdinand Ward; dft. and jgt., debt $25,353, dam. $500, enter'd upon. Exc.—4,034. Abraham Anderson vs. Philebus H. Corbin; dft. and jgt., debt $4,017, dam. $32; spl. exn.—1,849. T. R. Lyon vs. John B. Olsson and T. S. Grant; verd. pltf. $658.—2,001. C. A. Newcomb vs. J. H. Byrnes; verd. pltf. $139 and jgt.

JUDGE ANTHONY—1,675. Enoch B. Stevens vs. J. H. Gregory; verd. pltf. $956.

DECREES.

JUDGE GARNETT—1,771. Bldg., Loan & H. Assn. vs. Schmidt; mtg. rep. cfd. and decree sale.—1,638. Ada V. Calhoun vs. Joseph V. Calhoun; decree divorce for cruelty.—1,855. Sarah J. De Bann vs. Allan De Bann; same for cruelty.

CIRCUIT COURT—NEW SUITS.

55,500—Chicago Telephone Co. vs. Christopher J. Corrigan and Michael Corrigan. Appeal.

55,501—Charles Linder vs. Charles Engstrand. Appeal.

55,502—Emma Paulsen vs. Isaac F. Arnold. Appeal.

55,503—Flora Weber vs. Henry Weber. Bill for divorce for cruelty. William M. Stanley, solr.

55,504—George Claxton vs. J. O. Barton. Appeal.

55,505—Minna Mueller vs. Ernst W. Orth and Robert W. Mueller. Confession of judgment, $714. Charles F. White, atty.

55,506—Michael Gilheeney vs. Henry Browne, Thomas G. Windes, Alex Ander Sullivan, and Joseph L. Wilson. Bill for injunction. F. L. O'Meara, solr.

55,507—Augustus Bauer vs. C. E. Schoeikopf, Berthold Loewenthal, International Bank, Cyrus H. McCormick Jr., Third National Bank, Huntington W. Jackson, Abram G. Hunt, Union Trust Co., Alpheus C. Badger, William T. Burgess, Joseph N. Bargor, The John Spry Lumber Company, H. H. Gardner, and C. J. Wood. Bill for partition. Rofenthal & Pence, solrs.

55,508—John Wiet, use of Edward H. Van Ingen et al. vs. Solomon Thatcher. Assumpsit, $1,000. David Fales, atty.

55,509—George W. Fuller, use of Daniel E. Comeau vs. Union Stockyards National Bank and Weston A. Fuller. Garnishment $79. James A. Fullenwider, atty.

55,510—Henry Kersten vs. Sophia Schmidt, Ludwig Schmidt, Elizabeth Keller, Peter Keller, Dorothea Schneider, Albert Schneider, August Karsten, Wilhelmina Karsten, Charles Babe, William Babe, Sarah Karsten, Eliza K. Tassels, Mary Karsten, Henry Karsten, Annie Heimsod, William Ireland and Samuel Tassels. Bill for partition. Isaac E. Adams, solr.

VERDICTS AND JUDGMENTS.

JUDGE ROGERS—7,473. Chauncey B. Bradley vs. E. S. Hase; deft. and jgt. $972.

JUDGE HAWES—1,905. National Exchange Bank vs. Culver, Page, Hoyne & Co. and Oliver S. Baskin; verd. pltf., $515 and jgt.

CRIMINAL COURT.

JUDGE TULEY—466. A. H. Palmer, perjury; the court instructs the jury to bring in a verdt. of not guilty.; prsnr. discharged.—628. Same; not guilty.—629. John Williams, lar.; sentd. one year to H. of C.—615. John Monroe, lar.; sentd. to ninety days H. of C.—617. George Smith; plds. guilty of driving away a horse, etc.; sentd. to twenty-nine days Co. Jail.—620. William O'Hern; plea of guilty of pet. lar.; sentd to one day in Co. Jail.—625. Charles Meyers; plea guilty pet. lar.; sentd. to four months in H. of Cor.

JUDGE COLLINS—4,401. People ex rel., etc., vs. Bliss; rule to show cause, etc.—The grand jury rets. the indict.—People ex rel. John Ford vs. Felton; hab. corp. relator discha'd.—512. Robert Bruce, assault to kill; trial finished, jury to seal verdt.—565. William Leahy and Owen Dolan, burg.; jury trial, part of test. heard.

COUNTY COURT—NEW SUITS.

6,456—Matthias Norton, conservator of James Norton, vs. Herman Schmitz. Assumpsit, $1,000. Doolittle & McKay, attys.

THE CALL TODAY.

JUDGE GRESHAM—Settlement of decree in Boles, Fay & Conkey case.

JUDGE BLODGETT—In chambers.

JUDGE DYER—No court.

JUDGE GARY—Motions.

JUDGE ANTHONY—Motions.

JUDGE WILLIAMSON—No court.

JUDGE SHEPARD—No court.

JUDGE GARNETT—No court.

JUDGE ROGERS—Submitted cases.

JUDGE HAWES—Motions and submitted cases.

JUDGE TULEY—Divorces.

JUDGE MORAN—Divorces.

JUDGE PRENDERGAST—In re Cherrie and No. 5,283. No cause on trial.

JUDGE TULEY—Nos. 894, 508, 606, 607, 609, 610, 611, 673, 674, 675, 677, 749, 633, 624, 625, 626, 628, 627, 632, 633, and 697.

JUDGE COLLINS—Nos. 533, 537, 538, 539, 567, 561, 566, and 568.

THE CALL MONDAY.

JUDGE GRESHAM—Contested motions.

JUDGE BLODGETT—In chambers.

JUDGE DYER—134, 154, 156, 117, 139, and 126. No. 119, Nelson vs. Boyle, on trial.

JUDGE GARY—Nos. 2,003, 2,007, 2,009, 2,012, 2,013, 2,015, 2,018, and 2,020. No case on trial.

JUDGE ANTHONY—Nos. 1,384, 1,478, 1,479, 1,689, 1,474, 1,489, 1,686, 1,687, 1,472, and 1,465. No case on trial.

JUDGE WILLIAMSON—First call, Nos. 1,101 to 1,150. Trial call, Nos. 532, 901, 928, 930, 931, 932, 933, 940, 945. No. 1,912, Wieska vs. Kucker, on trial.

JUDGE SHEPARD—Contested motions. Tuesday, no call. No. 1, Gibbs vs. French, on trial.

JUDGE GARNETT—Nos. 20, 21, 22, 23, and passed cases.

JUDGE ROGERS—No call. No. 438, Storey will case, on trial.

JUDGE HAWES—Nos. 1,800, 1,768, 1,913, 1,926, 1,929, and 1,930. No case on trial.

JUDGE MORAN—Contested motions. Tuesday, Nos. 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, and 38. No. 45, English vs. Lewis, on trial.

JUDGE PRENDERGAST—No. 4,487, city special asst.

JUDGE KNICKERBOCKER—General business.

INDIANA SUPREME COURT.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The Supreme Court today decided the following cases:

Albert W. Alexander vs. Elijah Swackhauer; Marion S. C.; affirmed: Mitchell, J.

Mansah Funk vs. Jeremiah Grimes; Allen C. C.; reversed: Howk, J.

Henry P. Barton vs. W. C. Anderson; Marion S. C.; reversed as to Indiana Banking Company and affirmed as to all others.

New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company vs. Rebecca Doune; Kosciusko C. C.; motion to dismiss appeal overruled.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—Supreme court record:

On motion of Assistant Attorney-General Maury Henry W. Hobson of Denver, Colo., was admitted to practice.

934 and 935. The State of Tennessee, plaintiff in error, vs. George K. Whitworth, trustee, etc.; argued by S. Watson, J. B. Heiskell, and James M. Head for the State of Tennessee and by Edward H. East and Ed Baxter for defendant in error.

Adjourned until Monday.

ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 22.—[Special.]—The following cases were affirmed today in the Supreme Court, and opinions were filed:

St. Louis & Pittsburg Railway Company vs. Peterson. Chicago & Alton Railway Company vs. Johnson (Justice Scott dissenting); Coates vs. Dearborn, Sanitas et al. vs. The People, Workman vs. Green, ing. Chicago & Evanston Railway vs. Blake. Citizens' National Bank vs. Dayton, and Bird et al. vs. Morton.

OIL ON TROUBLED WATERS.

A VERY GOOD THING FOR MARINERS TO KNOW—HOW A CALM CAN BE BROUGHT TO SUCCEED A STORM.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—[Editor of The Tribune.]—The latest number of *Science* notes that the hydrographic office (at Washington) is endeavoring to popularize among mariners a knowledge of the value of oil at sea in stormy weather. The office could not well undertake a work of greater importance if there be 50 per cent of truth in the wonderful accounts that are furnished in regard to it. Less than a single barrel of oil would appear to be sufficient to carry a good-sized ship through a violent storm if allowed to dribble out continuously from a bag slung to the bowsprit. The effect is said to be to smooth down the waves so that they no longer break over the vessel, and very much reduce the "labor" to which she would otherwise be subjected.

Thus far the Captains of vessels do not seem to take kindly to the proposed safeguard against a large part of the danger of shipwreck. The story that a film of oil so thin that no one can see it will smooth down waves which are "mountain-high" savors too much of the "yarn" to command their credence. It almost borders on the miraculous. But there is no room to doubt after it has been once tried, and it bids fair to be speedily adopted by all of the ocean passenger steamers, if only as a means of attracting patronage by abolishing the worst horrors of seasickness and materially lessening the fear of a shipwreck. The comparatively smooth sea is not feared by many a one who has a mortal dread of high-rolling billows. But if once established beyond cavil as a safety measure its general adoption by all kinds of craft cannot long be deferred, if only as a matter of insurance, the risk or loss being very much reduced by the smaller strain upon the ship's frame-work, as well as by the vastly greater command which the rudder has in a comparatively smooth sea. The use of oil would not entirely abolish the danger of being off a lee store during a storm, but that would be very much modified, even to sailors, and the rapidity of breaking up after having struck would be vastly diminished, permitting a rescue in hundreds of cases in which a noble craft would otherwise go to pieces within sight of land.

I am not aware that the experiment has yet been tried on the fresh waters of our inland seas, but it would seem to promise equally satisfactory results with those already obtained on salt water. The present time may not be a good one to test it, but is an excellent one for agitating the subject among vessel-owners and inducing them to make arrangements for the equipment of all their craft with the very simple apparatus that is required for distributing the oil in case of storm. The cost is so very small, compared with the security afforded by it, that not a single vessel should be permitted to leave our lake ports with the opening of navigation the coming spring without being prepared to lubricate its passage across the chopping "seas" that are often much more dangerous than those encountered on the open ocean. Our marine insurance companies should see to it as a means of lessening their risks, if no one else will do so; while on humanitarian grounds it ought to be insisted on as a measure for preventing part of the fearful loss of life that is every now and then reported as a result of exposure to storms on the great chain of lakes.

GEN. POPE'S RETIREMENT.

THE BRIGADIERS WHO ARE CANDIDATES FOR THE MAJOR-GENERALSHIP.

New York *Sun:* The retirement of Gen. John Pope will occur about two months hence, the 16th of March. He will then have reached the age of 64, the maximum now allowed by law for active service. More than half the Brigadiers on the list are considered by their friends as candidates for the Major-Generalship thus to be vacated, and each has some good argument for his advocates to use in urging his preferment. Gen. John Gibbon is the senior in army service, having been graduated from the Military Academy in 1847; but he is at the foot in commission, having been the last Colonel promoted. Gen. D. S. Stanley, in commission as Brigadier, is one above Gen. Gibbon, and he graduated the year after him. Gen. O. O. Howard has the very strong claim of being the senior Brigadier, and hence the next in regular line of promotion to the grade above. Gen. Crook, up to the outbreak of Geronimo and the adverse criticism of the people of Arizona and New Mexico upon his operations, might perhaps have been considered Gen. Howard's chief competitor, as he had long been distinguished in Indian fighting, and had given the Southwest frontier a year and a half of rest from ravages. His conduct of Apache affairs is still approved by Gen. Sheridan. Gen. Terry and Gen. Miles, unusually able soldiers, are urged for promotion by some who would like to see one Major-General taken from those officers who, not being graduates of the Military Academy, entered the regular army from the volunteers. There is no lack of available candidates for Gen. Pope's place.

THE STOREY CASE.

MR. PATTERSON'S CROSS-EXAMINATION CONCLUDED—MR. TRUDE'S TESTIMONY ABOUT THE MAKING OF THE 1881 WILL.

Mr. A. L. Patterson resumed the witness-stand in Judge Rogers' court yesterday morning, the court being crowded. Mrs. Eureka C. Storey and her mother occupied seats on the immediate right of Judge Trumbull, both being dressed in deep mourning, with the exception of a white "fascinator" drawn tightly over the upper part of her face. Judge Trumbull, in resuming the cross-examination of Mr. Patterson, made some inquiries about the income of the paper during 1881, 1882, and 1883. In the former year Mr. Patterson said the net profits were about $40,000; in 1882 and 1883 the net profits of each year were about $100,000.

"Mr. Patterson, did you not state yesterday that Mr. Storey's living expenses averaged $6,000 or $7,000 a year?"

"I did."

"Do you recognize this affidavit as being signed by you and sworn to?"

"I do."

"Will you refresh your memory by looking at that affidavit, Mr. Patterson?"

The court held that the affidavit could at present be only used to refresh the memory of the witness.

"Did you not on a former occasion state that the living expenses of Mr. Storey averaged $8,000 per year, not including rent?"

"I see by the affidavit I did. Still it was and is impossible for me to answer by a definit statement. I had no specific figures to make me absolutely certain as to the exact amount."

"I object to your explanations, Mr. Witness."

The court—The witness has a perfect right to explain his answer to the question, Judge Trumbull.

Judge Trumbull—I deny his right to do so.

The court—You may take your exceptions.

Judge Trumbull—Mr. Patterson, which statement is correct—the one you made yesterday or the one you made one year ago?

"Both are substantially correct. I am inclined to believe the statement I made one year ago is most nearly correct, as I more closely examined into the figures at that time."

Judge Trumbull—Have you had any controversy with Mrs. Storey about the estate of Mr. Storey since his decease?

"No; no controversy."

"Have you not been antagonistic to her?"

"No, I have not assumed an antagonistic attitude towards her. I have had charge of the business for a good many years, and have had business relations with her, but no personal relations. I am willing to go out at any time, but my being in the office was as much to her benefit as to mine."

Witness testified that the personal property of Storey at the time of his death, including the house furniture, was valued at about $1100,000, and with the realty $250,000. In answer to a question from Mr. W. C. Goudy he said: "Mrs. Storey, during a conversation I had with her, seemed to be laboring under a misapprehension as to her interests, and I suggested that she consult counsel. She asked me whom I would recommend, and I mentioned your name, knowing that you had drawn up the marriage contract."

Witness thought that the sending of special correspondents to write up the Mound-Builders, the Bad Lands, and such subjects at a time when the paper had a regular staff and its expenses were heavy was evidence of the unsoundness of the mind of Mr. Storey, as this class of matter was expensive.

"How about the employment of one Prof. Denslow as a special writer?"

"Well, that was very strong evidence to me that something was wrong with Mr. Storey."

In 1881 Mr. Storey raised $30,000 on mortgage to carry on the erection of his house, otherwise he could not have continued the operation. He doubted the capacity of Mr. Storey at that time to make a binding contract. Witness, when notes were given to meet the bills for paper, used to draw up the notes, affix the amounts, and then submit them to Storey for signature. At such times no conversation was had between Storey and witness relative to that particular business. These notes were paid by checks upon the bank identifying Mr. Storey that certain notes were due. In 1881 he complained to Mr. Storey that the telegraph bills were very heavy, and he replied that journalists were not expected to know anything about money matters.

Mr. Goudy—Mr. Patterson, if I understand you correctly, you have presented papers to Mr. Storey for his signature after you were convinced that he was incompetent to transact business, and that it was represented to the public that he was competent to transact business; and you have also stated that in every action you took regarding the property in your care you made the action appear to be that of Mr. Storey. Will you now state why you did so?

There was an objection to the admission of a reply to this question, but the court finally decided to admit it.

"It seemed absolutely necessary for me to do it, as the property was in danger, and we hoped he would soon recover." Before and after Storey went to Europe witness had repeatedly noticed his eyes suffused with tears and his chin quiver when casually asked about his health. He often fell while at the office, and after his return from Europe was very emotional. Prior to 1872 he was a man of powerful intellect and determination.

Mr. Patterson left the stand at 2:50 after three and a half days' presence at the trial.

Mr. A. S. Trude resumed the stand, and in answer to Mr. Goudy said that he had written the instrument of February, 1881, purporting to be the will, at his own house prior to Feb. 1, and dated upon the day that he expected to carry it to Mr. Storey. Mr. Storey did not read the will, but his attention was specifically called to the portion of the will that related to any subsequent marriage of Mrs. Storey. "When I entered the room in which Storey sat, with his injured limb upon a footstool, I observed on a table a glass of liqueur, some pens, ink, and paper. Storey was elated, and talked of the Squaw, the White Lily, and the Great Chief, also of a wigwam. He was convivially inclined, and I was asked to take some liquor. He said that the Little Squaw had told him he must not remain another year in the house, and he wanted to

SKETCHES.

A Black Sheep; or, The Nailers' Strike: Another Smoketon Romance.

Women Who Tipple on the Sly—Talmage on Marriage—Ignorance of Social Usages.

An Italian Cinderella—His Bequest—The Harvard Girl—Diamonds in Her Teeth—Poetry and Humor.

THE TRIBUNE PRIZE STORY.

[THE TRIBUNE prize of $10 has been awarded this week to the author of the story printed below.

The conditions on which the prize may be competed for are: (1) That the story shall be not less than one nor more than two columns in length; (2) that it shall be written only on one side of the paper; (3) that the name and address of the author shall be written plainly on the first page; and (4) that postage shall be inclosed for its return if not accepted.

Under no circumstances will THE TRIBUNE undertake to keep rejected manuscripts "until called for" or "until sent for," but all manuscripts not accepted will be promptly returned by mail if postage is inclosed.

A check for $10 will be mailed to the successful competitor immediately before or immediately after the publication of the story.]

A Black Sheep.

It was 7 o'clock on a cool September evening. The sun had set upon Smoketon, but a dull red glow still lingered in the heavens, above the heavy bar of smoke that lay upon the horizon. Above the cool gray river, in which the red evening glow and the twinkling lights of the city lay clearly reflected, the "clustering spires" of Smoketon Island stood out against the darkening sky; the long arch of the bridge, with its lights gleaming in red and gold, gave a touch to the picture that was almost Venetian; the evening star hung low in the west, and from a loftier hight the young moon looked calmly upon the peaceful scene.

That the horizon bar of smoke was much less heavy than usual gave no manner of satisfaction to Thisbe Barton as she paced hurriedly back and forth by the riverside, with her glasses of tawny hair unprotected from the evening breeze. For absence of smoke in Smoketon meant idle factories, and what that meant Thisbe and many others had had an excellent chance to learn during the four months' strike, which as yet showed no sign of drawing to a close.

A step behind her made her turn to meet the gaze of a rather small and narrow-chested individual whose pale, dark face and stooping shoulders were at once reduced to insignificance by contrast with the girl's vigorous personality.

"Is that you, Curly Schwartz?" she asked rather roughly. "I've just heard something of you, and if it's true, you'll say good-by to Thisbe Barton."

The man heaved a long sigh as he took off his hat and ran his fingers through the crisp, dark locks that had been the origin of his nickname.

"I guess I'll have to do that, anyway, Thisbe," he answered meekly. The girl drew herself up haughtily, while her brown eyes gave an angry flash.

"What are you talkin' about?" she asked wrathfully.

"I'm talkin' about how I've been goin' around with you for better'n two years," he answered red, "not to speak of havin' loved you all my life—and you was real good to me when we was children, Thisbe. Not another girl in Smoketon have I ever looked at, and you know it; yet you won't say neither yes nor no, prompt and decided; and I can't stand it no longer."

"And so," the girl answered with slow scorn, "as if I had not lowered myself enough by goin' around with a mere 'feeder,' you have gone and turned 'black sheep,' to make me ashamed to hold up my head before my brothers."

"And if I have turned 'black sheep,' where's the harm?" he demanded sullenly.

"Where's the harm in bein' a traitor?" she demanded, yet more enraged by his ignoring her connection with the matter. "Where's the harm in givin' in to lower wages, like a coward?"

"I ain't. I'm goin' on as a nailer, at better wages than ever I got in my life."

"Yes; betrayin' your class, and takin' the place of a better man than yourself."

"I'm doin' nothin' of the kind. My class is the feeder nailers, and I'm benefitin' one of them—givin' him a rise in life. O, Thisbe," faltering suddenly in his defiant sullenness and looking into her face with appealing pathos, "O, Thisbe, don't be so hard on a fellow! I ain't a coward, nor a traitor, neither. If 'twas only me, I'd starve or go to jail as well as any one; but there's my poor old mother—what is she to do while I'm waitin' for the nailers to get the wages that suits 'em? I've done everything a man could do since this strike began. I've even swep' the streets and been glad enough to get the job; but there's plenty more as had off as me, and jobs is hard to get. More than that, Thisbe, I've been drove half mad by you, blowin' hot one minute and cold the next; one day smilin' on me, and the next on that Geoff. Walton, the big fool. He's one of the nailers I'm to be kep' starvin' to please, ain't he? No! I want work, hard work, to keep me from thinkin', Thisbe. I've had the chance of a better place an' higher wages than I ever had, an' I'm a-goin' to take 'em; you'll never sneer at me for bein' 'only a feeder' again, anyway."

"Have you finished?" asked Thisbe, white with passion, "because I don't wish to interrupt you; but if you are quite sure you are entirely through I have something to tell you, Geoff. Walton asked me again last night to marry him, and I promised to give him an answer this even-n'. He told me you was goin' on at the mill, or I'd a' said yes right off. So I came out here to think it over, and I've made up my mind. He's a true man, Geoff. is; you won't catch him goin' back on the workingman and truckin' to the oppressor; so I think I shall say yes."

"Then I wish you may get what you deserve," said Curly, turning abruptly on his heel and walking off, without the ceremony of a farewell.

Thisbe stood looking after him in utter silence, her hands clenched at her sides, her nostrils dilated, her whole figure tense with anger. Anger, too, with which surprise was largely mingled, for Curly Schwartz had been her humble slave for so long that she could scarcely realize that he had at last declared his independence. Perhaps she would like him all the better for it after awhile. Even in the midst of her rage there was a strange new ache at her heart which she proudly denied even to her own soul.

"As if I cared for *him*," she muttered as she tied on her hat and turned her face homeward.

Curly had walked rapidly in the direction of Brown's mill. He was not a coward, as he had truly said; but if his intention to turn 'black sheep' had gotten wind the less he was seen alone after dark the better. Smoketon police were not distinguished for their efficient vigilance, and many a striker would have asked no better fun than to knock the 'traitor' quietly over the head.

Brown's Mill stood at the end of Brown street, with the hill behind it. Not immediately behind, however. There was quite a stretch of comparatively level ground, even before one came to the railroad, which ran along a sort of ledge or terrace, just before the really steep ascent began. But, unless one turned and went back some distance along Brown street, and then "fetched a compass" by means of alleys and other circuitous byways, the only mode of getting from front to rear, or vice versa, of Brown's Mill was through the millyard. All of which Curly knew without noting, as we all know perfectly unimportant matters which may nevertheless come to influence our future. The gates were closed, but they opened at his knock and he passed within the wide inclosure.

The great strike at Smoketon was caused by something only too familiar to our day and generation—haste to get rich. A secondary cause was overproduction. There were several other causes not entirely creditable to our human nature, and finally there came a reduction of the scale of wages. Brown's Mill, after standing idle for four months, had secured the services of a number of feeder-nailers and was now prepared to go to work. A part of the mill had been fitted up as a dormitory, ample provisions had been laid in, and there were signals, pass-words, etc., already in vogue among the hands, most of whom came from a neighboring city. In short, it was evident the owners did not expect to carry out their plans without opposition.

Nor did the strikers intend they should. Thisbe Barton knew that perfectly well, but had not used it as an argument in speaking to her lover, partly from a latent fear that he might be influenced thereby, for in her heart she liked the "black sheep" too well to wish to see him prove a coward. Theirs had been a strange alliance. Thisbe, the youngest of eight children and the only daughter, had during her 20 years of life been petted, spoiled, and indulged by father, brothers, and a weak and somewhat silly mother, who thought no one in the world so beautiful or clever as her young daughter. And indeed the girl must be allowed the credit of being a magnificent animal. Her auburn hair when unbound fell to her knees in a mass of shining ripples; her eyes had the brightness, not only of perfect health, but of a fearless spirit; her complexion all the brilliance possible to Smoketon, while her form was that of a beautiful Amazon. Curly, on the other hand, small, slight, and apparently predestined to nailers' consumption, was the only son of a widowed mother; and while the Bartons were comparatively well off in this world's goods, the Schwartzes had not a penny beyond what Curly could earn by his work in the mill. Thisbe Barton had stood by him womanfully ever since, in his eighth year, he had been left fatherless and well-nigh friendless. She was in age a year younger, in appearance several years older, than the puny, sickly boy whom she loved better than any of her seven brothers, and protected with the fierceness of a tigress in defense of her young. The taunts of her brothers about her "little sweetheart, who could not even read a circus poster," had merely the effect of inducing her to impart her own scanty stock of information to him after work hours, which amateur pedagogism, reacting upon herself, gave her a much more thorough knowledge of what she had learned than has been usual among "sweet girl graduates" since the youthful days of our grandmothers.

When they grew up this state of things underwent some little change; and Curly, who had always looked upon Thisbe as his personal and peculiar property, was overwhelmed with consternation to find himself snubbed and neglected, while the young beauty laughed, flirted, and accepted candy and buggy-rides—favorit offerings of Smoketon's brave to Smoketon's fair—from those more favored by fortune than himself. True, it was only her head that was turned; her heart was still in the right place—that is to say, in the possession of Curly himself; but how was he to be sure of that?

It was a matter upon which Thisbe grew to have little doubt in the long days that followed his turning "black sheep." Perhaps the bitter abuse showered upon him helped to enlist her sympathies in his behalf; but she kept her own counsel, and was credited by her brothers with having at last "got over her nonsense about that fellow." But Thisbe had her reasons for being silent. The attack on Brown's Mill had not been unlooked, but only delayed by the absence of one of the leaders. It was very little the girl could learn in relation to it, her brothers and their friends being by no means given to imparting their intentions to women; but by close observation and diligent attention to every word let fall in her presence she at last became acquainted with time and manner in which the "oppressor" was to be "enjoined."

The time was the night of the very day upon which her information was gained. Perhaps the weather had exercised a determining influence upon the situation, for it was just the day for a conspiracy, with a fog almost equal to a "London particular." Thisbe retired to her own room as soon as possible after the supper, of which her brothers and their guest, Geoffrey Walton, had partaken with the appetite pertaining to an approving conscience. With a woman's skill she had managed to keep Geoff. at arm's length, telling him she had determined not to engage herself to any one till the strike should be over; but as his presence made her extremely uncomfortable she feigned a headache as an excuse for retiring. Her mother, in some alarm, suggested remedy after remedy, whereat Thisbe showed such temper as insured undisturbed seclusion for the rest of the evening.

It was late when she heard her mother's heavy step mount the stairs and pause for a moment at her door; but the gas was out, and Thisbe gave no sign; so Mrs. Barton went on to bed. Then Thisbe heard the noisy exit of the male portion of her family, and then, after an interval during which all was quiet, a muffled figure stole noiselessly down the staircase and out into the foggy street. There was little need for disguise she discovered; the fog was so heavy a mother would scarcely have known her own child half a yard away. No stranger could possibly have found his way about Smoketon that night; but Thisbe had carried too many dinner-pails to Brown's Mill since her earliest recollection to be at fault for a moment. She took the shortest way, which led along the hillside and across the railroad, and approached the mill from the rear. Here was also a gate, at which she knocked lightly, but the voice which asked "Who's there?" made her heart beat faster.

"A friend," she replied in a hoarse whisper. "Speak lower, Curly Schwartz. There's to be an attack on you tonight, and I don't know how near they may be. I could not warn you sooner. They swear they'll burn the mill over your heads."

"Is Geoff. Walton in it?" asked Curly in a whisper. The gate was still closed between them, but the boards of the ancient fence had, unfortunately, only too many crevices through which a whisper might pass.

"What's that to you, Curly Schwartz?"

"Much, if you are Thisbe——"

"Hush. I'm a dead woman if you betray me. There!" as a sudden flash showed the presence of a dark lantern upon the hillside, "you've no time to lose."

"But what will become of you?"

"Sh! rouse the mill; I'm safe enough. Good-by!" and the girl was gone.

But where? Already the strikers were too near to allow her to return as she had come, and escape in any other direction was prevented by the mill itself. Nothing better occurred to her than to crouch behind a pile of stones and rubbish, a little way up the hill, until the rioters should arrive, when, favored by the darkness, she hoped to make her way through the crowd as one of themselves. If they should suspect and molest her—the girl's beautiful lips parted in a not very pretty smile as she caught up a tolerably-sized stone from the heap and held it firmly in her strong right hand.

Yet for all her courage the scene which followed returned upon her many times in after years as a dream of horror—the breaking open of the gate, the shouts of defiance from within, the masked figures piling flaming brands against the door, undeterred by a scattering pistol-fire from the besieged. The mill was well provided with arms and ammunition, but perhaps the nerve of the besieged was shaken by the suddenness of the attack, or perhaps they were not well accustomed to the use of their weapons. Whatever the cause, the volley did little harm beyond stinging the rioters into increased fury.

And now the door began to smolder and crackle, when suddenly it was flung wide and a party of the besieged rushed through the fire, scattering and stamping it out as they dashed upon the rioters, while another party flung pails of water upon the smoldering door and the still-burning brands. For a moment the rioters gave back; but as the besieged, their object accomplished, made an equally sudden rush for the mill, their opponents rallied and followed close at their heels with yells of defiance.

Curly Schwartz had been one of the foremost in this sally. Thisbe, who, unable to make her way home, had been swept forward instead by the crowd, saw his form clearly defined against the dull, red glow of the furnace fires within the low, wide doorway. Nor was she the only one who recognized him. There was a shout, a curse upon him by name, and a heavy club raised by a powerful arm. Then a stone, which certainly came from Thisbe's direction, struck Geoffrey Walton's wrist; the arm fell by his side, and Curly's pistol touched his temple. Only for an instant, for beneath the black crape upon which the furnace fires gleamed all so red, Curly seemed to see the innocent eyes of the boy with whom he had played in childhood. His arm dropped, and he turned with the rest to regain the shelter of the mill. At the same moment a crushing blow fell upon him from behind; he dropped like a log and the trampling of many feet passed over his body.

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That he was drawn by strong and tender arms into a sheltered corner, Curly never knew for many a long day afterward; but when the rioters withdrew at the approach of day, leaving Brown's Mill in no very good condition for work, he was found with his head resting upon the lap of a beautiful girl, who looked up with eyes of mingled hope and dread as she cried: "He isn't dead, I'm sure of it. O! help me take him home!"

From that time Thisbe never left him. He was carried to his own house, where slowly but happily he regained some measure of his former strength. He was never more able for hard work, and it is difficult to imagine what would have become of him and his old mother but for the wife who had married him when he lay upon his sick bed, unable to move hand or foot. Thisbe, however, was equal to anything—even to bearing the reproaches of her family. They were very bitter at first, but even her brothers used their influence to protect both herself and her husband, whom indeed the nailers were not inclined to molest, from a perhaps well-founded conviction that his "punishment" (whatever they meant by that) had been meted out by Providence. But after a few years the Bartons so far relented as to assist their erring sister to open a small shop, in serving which Curly found employment not too hard for his feeble strength.

Long before this the trouble between the workingmen and "bosses" of Smoketon had been submitted to arbitration; and so the strike came to an end by means which might just as readily have been employed before it began. Then came a European war and a consequent boom in iron. Some of the mill men (who perhaps had a finger or two in other speculations) grew suddenly rich, among whom was Geoffrey Walton, now married and the head of a family. His wife became a leader in Smoketon society, and her handsome carriage often passed the little, one-windowed shop where Thisbe officiated with unfailing good temper and the brightest of smiles. But no sign of recognition ever came from carriage to shop, even when upon bright summer days Curly's chair was set upon the pavement and his pale figure luxuriated in the sunshine. Then he would grumble bitterly against what he called fortune, and his wife would answer, as she tossed her bright-haired baby until he crowed again, while dark-eyed Lina clung timidly to her dress:

"You keep still, Curly Schwartz. I'm the one to complain, for I might 'a been ridin' in that carriage now if I'd 'a chose."

"But you ain't sorry, Thisbe?" Curly would ask, with an anxious glance into her face.

"Not much!" would be the vigorous response. "I never could abide the sight of that Geoff. Walton, anyhow," (O Thisbe, Thisbe, what a memory you have!) "and besides, a woman can't be more than perfectly happy, seems to me. More than that, whatever would you do without me, Curly?"

"Die," Curly would answer quietly.

Then a momentary glance of tenderness would soften the bright brown eyes, to be immediately dismissed with a toss of the tawny head as Thisbe would lift up her voice in some gay song, to which the baby boy would crow an answer, while her husband listened with a smile of happiness.

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SATURDAY SELECTIONS.

Women Who Tipple on the Sly.

"My! Did you smell that woman's breath?" The question, says a writer in the New York *World*, was asked in a sharp undertone of disgust, and was answered with an emphatic, "How could I help it?"

I had been talking with the urbane proprietor of a well-known dressmaking establishment on Fifth avenue, and was just going out of the place when this interchange of words fell upon my ear. Half a glance showed me two fashionably attired ladies sitting near one side of the room and a third sweeping majestically out of the fitting department. The last was an old acquaintance, and as I handed her into her carriage she said:

"Did you hear that spiteful remark as I passed those two women?" I could do nothing but confess that I had, and she continued: "Now, as a matter of fact, I drank nothing in there at all. But those two ill-bred creatures are aware that there is always a stimulant ready in X.'s fitting-room and took it for granted that I had indulged. But jump in and I'll drive you to your office." As further developments were apparent, I did not hesitate to accept the offer.

"You have known me a long time," she said as the carriage rolled down the avenue; "and I think that you will credit me with a proper regard for the conventionalities of society. Now, I won't say that I never indulge in some sort of stimulant when I am out shopping, for that would ill accord with my present frankness of spirit. Most ladies become so fatigued with the labor of purchasing that something of the sort is absolutely necessary. I freely admit that I am one of these. But what I will say is that I never outrage society by leaving the faintest trace of the potation on my breath."

"Smile if you will," she continued, as she caught sight of my agitated risibles, "but there is no sin in drinking if you are not found out. And who could detect a trace of liquor in an odor like that?" With this she produced from her satchel a beautifully jeweled bonbonière, and as she opened it a delicate scent of musk filled the carriage. At her bidding I took one of the tiny pink pellets from the little box and placed it in my mouth. The taste was quite as delicious as the smell.

"Now I never forget to take one of those lozenges after the slightest indulgence, and I haven't the fear of even my prohibitionist husband finding me out."

"But are all ladies as careful as you are, and do all use such effective means of concealment?" I asked.

"No. Some husbands are careless whether their wives drink or not, and therefore the wives become careless. But as a general thing you can rely upon every woman to make some effort to rid herself of the smell of liquor. Cardamon-seed, lemon-peel, peppermint, and cascharin is commonly resorted to, but I have one friend who never uses anything but candied rose-leaves."

"But where do the ladies obtain their liquor, and how do they manage to drink it unobserved?"

"Would you have me betray the bosom secrets of my sex?"

"Only so far as to slightly enlighten the ignorance of mine."

"First admit, then, that a woman has as much right to drink as a man."

"I make the admission."

"Very well. Now you men, with the exception of journalists of course, drink on every pretext: for joy, for sorrow, for company, for solitude, for heat, and for cold. We women are not so idiotic in our potations. We usually drink alone and for the good and sufficient reason that we need the beverage. You pop into a saloon, swallow your drink, and pop out again, simply because the saloon and the drink are there. You don't care who sees you. We go through the arduous labor of a long day's shopping or the still harder task of several hours with a modiste. Half dead with fatigue, we have to crawl off behind a screen and swallow the few drops that buoy us up until we can get home.

"But there is no use protesting against this unjust distinction. You want me to tell you where we get our liquor. Know then that no first-class dressmaking establishment in New York is complete without a well-stocked sideboard. The stock usually consists of brandy, whisky, gin, sherry, and port. More than this, the obliging manager always has a boy ready to run out and bring in a cocktail or a fizz if the ladies demand mixed drinks. Of course I don't know where the boy goes for the mixing, but I suppose it is to some neighboring place where such things are made.

"There is one peculiarity about women drinking that should not be overlooked. I have yet to know of a woman indulging in the presence of another woman but what she made some excuse for that indulgence. Not long ago I heard a young girl still in her teens ask a dressmaker for a glass of sherry. She was trying on a ball dress, and urged as an excuse for her request that she had only had a cup of bouillon for breakfast. A few minutes afterwards the wife of a New Jersey clergyman came into the place, and you would have thought that she was about to faint, so grievously did she complain. The dressmaker, who is a model hostess, by the way, asked the poor lady if she would not have a glass of sherry. She refused, but thought that if a little brandy and sugar were convenient it would do her a world of good. It was convenient.

"Now, for my own part I rarely have to offer an excuse, for the simple reason that I seldom drink in any other place than my carriage. See here" (the satchel was again opened and a small flask was exhibited): "my handkerchief can easily cover this, and I can take all that I require from the attendant the slightest attention. My purpose in adopting this course is twofold. First, I am always certain of what I am drinking; second, I avoid the unpleasant inuendoes of people who might otherwise observe me. This course is not popular, however. With some people it is not possible, because they have no carriages. With others it is not practical, because the dressmakers furnish the unmixed drinks free of charge."

"Must a woman buy something in order to get a drink?"

"O, dear no. That is, any regular customer is welcome at any time she may come, and you would be quite surprised to hear the dressmakers tell how often some of their do come. Of course, no one but customers is expected to know of the existence of the sideboard. They, however, regard it as a necessary adjunct to the business, and so it exists."

"Are the dressmaking establishments the only places where ladies can obtain drinks when on their shopping expeditions?"

"Certainly not; the drug stores have long been a boon to women and strict churchmen, and at all the best restaurants in the city you can have your brandy served in a coffee cup."

"But in other branches of trade—dry goods, shoes, bric-à-brac—is not your physical comfort looked after there?"

"Not to the extent of supplying liquid remedies."

"I have heard it said that the large smelling-bottles that are now fashionable are sometimes filled with gin instead of eau de cologne?"

"That is an absurd slander. How on earth could a woman drink out of one of those awkward things without being detected? Besides that, she would be in constant danger of exposure by both sexes through the borrowing of the bottle. Dispel that idea from your brain. You may rest assured that if a woman has any liquor about her it will be in her satchel, or pocket, or muff, or any place but her smelling-bottle."

"Do you regard this habit of drinking as common to your sex?"

"No. Very many ladies of my acquaintance never touch liquor under any circumstances. And I don't know a single one who is bold enough to drink without protesting that it is for her cold, or cough, or exhaustion, or some such physical ailment. More than 50 per cent of my intimates take a little something while at the dressmaker's, but I don't know one who drinks to excess. Must you get out? Good-by. I am sorry that I can't extend you the dressmaker's hospitality, but I've been shopping all day and, as you can see, I have a cold, and—well, to tell the truth, the flask is empty." The merry laugh that accompanied this apologetic confession was lost in the rumble of the carriage as it whirled up Broadway.

Talmage on Marriage.

"I have no words sufficiently eloquent to set forth my admiration of good womanhood. Good and true women were never so numerous as they are today. Women are now 75 per cent better than ever they were. The women of this country are better educated than the men, and if things go on in the same ratio it will be difficult for the men to find enough ignorance in the opposit sex to make an appropriate consort." The ladies in the congregation smiled at this and looked at one another complacently. "If I am under a delusion in this I hope to continue in this delusion until I embark from this planet. There are thousands of American pulpits, and among them this one, that have avoided a discussion of a great many practical things, and among these things is the subject I am to discuss in this series of sermons. This is the first time that I have heard of it being discussed.

"There are a vast number of people who ought not to be married. There are 940,000 more women in England than men, and about the same number in this country. The moral of such a fact is that thousands of women should regard it as a duty to take measures so effective that they should be able to take care of themselves. Another fact is that there are a very large number of men who are not fit to be married, and it is time to say that if a woman who loses her integrity and her honor is not fit to be married, then it is equally true that a man who is untrue to the best promptings of his moral nature and is impure is not fit to be married. I am, therefore, this morning, as a religious teacher and as one who will have to give an account of his stewardship, about to give you some advice that should be adopted when you choose a wife.

"Martin Farquhar Tupper, the poet, recommended men to pray and seek divine guidance before they chose a wife. He and all people who advised the same thing were laughed at when they said this. Many of those who laughed then are laughing now on the other side of the mouth. Some good and wise men have wrecked their lives by this neglect. There was John Wesley—as good a man as ever lived—was chained to a woman who did all she could to destroy his influence, and sat in City Road Chapel making mouths at him while he preached. Then there are women who are scolds and who look on you like a March northeaster. Then there are the opium-eating women—400,000 of them in America today—who will have their drug although it costs them the greatest treasure of their household. I urge you to ask divine guidance, because society is full of artificiality. After her dressmaker, her hair adjuster, her jeweler, and other mysteries have transformed a woman, how can an unsophisticated man discern the real meaning of these physiological hieroglyphics? Men are by these means swindled; they make a bargain from a sample, and when the goods come to be delivered they find that they are not equal to the sample. They marry a sweet-tempered woman, as they suppose, and she turns out to be a Jezebel; they marry a woman as meek apparently as the sainted Mary, and they get a Lucrezia Borgia when they thought they had a Martha Washington. May I not, therefore, ask you to seek divine guidance before you choose a wife? for there is no worse predicament on earth than to be unequally yoked together.

"Adam had not a large number to select a wife from, and, judging from the mistake he made, I am glad that he was limited to Eve or none. If you take the divine direction you will make no mistake. A great deal has been said about woman being taken from the ribs of Adam. But there are twenty-four ribs and there are twenty-three possibilities to one that you will get the wrong rib. John Milton, the poet, who married, was told that his wife was a rose, and he replied, 'I am not much of a judge of color; but I think that it is very likely so, for I feel the thorn.' Look at Solomon, whose married life was as unhappy as it was multitudinous, and among the wise observations of his experience in this matter is this: 'A continual dropping on a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.'

"If in this matter you make no mistake you will have two heavens, one here below and one hereafter; but if you do make a mistake you have two hells, one here and one hereafter."

Congressmen's Wives and Social Usage.

As an instance of the ignorance of Congressmen's wives about social usages, writes a Washington correspondent, I give the following: It is the custom here, as elsewhere, to appear in full dress at a great evening reception, and it is also customary in officials to invite with a gentleman guest the ladies of his family. A leading Senator who has been spoken of as a Presidential candidate gave a large reception last winter and invited all the Congressmen of his own State. All were asked to bring their families. One who states in the Congressional Directory that he lived and was raised upon a farm came at 7 o'clock in the evening with his wife and the three young girls of his family. These girls ranged from 7 to 17 years in age. They had long, straight hair, wore high-necked dresses, and ribbons about their waists, and the Congressman's wife and each of the girls expected to remain in the room with their bonnets on. The Senator's wife, who is a very kind-hearted lady, was dressed at this time, although it was two hours before any one might be expected. She tried to persuade the woman to remove her bonnet, but was told that her hair was not combed, and she believed that she would keep it on. Finally, however, the Senator's wife told her she would look very odd with her bonnet on while all the others were in full dress, and she persuaded the countrywoman to allow her toilet to be remade by the hands of the Senator's wife's maid. The children also took off their hats, but they were the only children present. They stood around during the evening, being made as much at home as was possible by their Senatorial hostess.

Not all at Washington, however, a class of the nouveau riche who sometimes err through a mistake of knowing too much and not having the gentlemanly instincts to direct the use of their knowledge. One of these, the wife of a millionaire, who lives in one of the finest mansions in Washington, was sitting not long ago at a great dinner party beside one of the most noted Generals of the late War. They were at the table, and in the course of a table d'hôte this noted General happened to make use of his knife in conveying a certain kind of food to his mouth. As he did so the rich lady nudged him, and in a semi-stage whisper said, "I beg your pardon, General, but when Mr. —— does wrong in a social way he is always glad to have me correct him. I know your wife will thank me when I tell you you ought not to use your knife in that way. People at Washington are very queer, and they always eat with their forks." The General turned around and looked at the lady with withering astonishment. He did not notice her remark, but went on talking with the person on his other hand as though nothing had been said. Few such encounters, however, have taken place in Washington society. The average American is a gentleman or a lady, and one with a manly or womanly nature need have no fear of making his way in Washington society. There is no society easier to enter, and there is no society perhaps in the world where you will meet so many noted people in statesmanship, literature, science, and art with so little trouble in so short a time.

How Washington Mammas Manage.

A great many outsiders, writes a Washington correspondent, have laughed at the announcements which frequently appear in the society papers that "Mrs. Jones of the army will receive Wednesdays in January," or "Mrs. Smith of the navy will give a tea Tuesday," but perhaps "Mrs. Jones" and "Mrs. Smith" have really more to say in relation to some of the most important matters concerning the service than their husbands. Women are matchless and peerless in the management of the hundreds of intrigues which abound everywhere at the Capital, and which have for their object the advancement of one officer or the humiliation of another. Strange to say, some of the most powerful lady schemers are the wives of retired officers of the army and navy. If one of these elderly dames happens to have an eligible daughter the young officer on duty here must be very sure of his ground before he attempts either to win or avoid her. If his conduct is not satisfactory he will suddenly find himself ordered away with a celerity that will almost take his breath away. It may be that he will not be able to understand how it was accomplished and the means therefor, but he will at least realize that he knows who received the blow.

An instance of this nature happened here only a short time ago. A young officer connected with the naval establishment, and who has been on duty here for some months, began paying the most assiduous attention to the fair daughter of a lady who is a power in the "ring." He was poor but proud, handsome but impecunious. As a brilliant alliance is expected by the old lady, she made up her mind to put an end to the affair, which really had not progressed very far. One fine day this officer received an official document ordering him to a station about 3,000 miles away. While he was making the necessary preparations for his departure the young lady was sent out of town "to spend the holidays with some friends." Her whereabouts were unknown to the officer, so he was obliged to take his departure without the painful pleasure of a "sweet parting." Some of the officer's friends have ascertained that the orders were actually secured by the mother.

An Italian Cinderella.

The young women of Mentone, Italy, say that their grandmothers used to tell them the story of Cinderella (whom they called Cendreusette) as follows: "Once there was a man who had two daughters—one named Catherine and the other Cendreusette—and their mother was not overfond of Cendreusette. One day she sent her to mind the cow, and gave her a kilo of cotton to spin, which she did not in the least know how to do. She began to cry, and then the cow said to her: 'Tie the distaff on my horns and the spindle on my tail, and put me where there is good grass and water and I will spin it.' When she went home her mother was content with what she had done. The sister asked leave to go with the cow the next day, and her mother gave her also thread to spin. When she was on the road she began to cry. Then said the cow: 'Put the distaff on my horns and the spindle on my tail, and I will spin it.' The girl led her where other cows had already refused the grass, and so, instead of spinning, the cow gathered oalages for her. The mother, being angry, then said to them to kill and eat the cow. Cendreusette went to warn her, when she told her, 'Take care to eat some of it, and you must then keep the bones and put them in a box. Whenever you wish a fine gown take a bone and it will turn into one.' Once her mother was going to high mass with the sister; they left Cendreusette in the kitchen. When they had gone she took a bone and said: 'I wish this to turn into a fine gown, and on it a sun shining, and a slipper which walks by itself.' She put them on and went to church, and seated herself on a bench near her mother, who did not know her, but took her for some fine lady. She had a fan, and on it was pictured the sea; she let it fall; her mother took it and she said to her: 'You may keep it; I do not wish it any more.' She hurried home after mass to undress, so that her mother should not know. Next day she went again to mass, now dressed in a gown on which was the sea, and fishes swimming about it. She put herself again on the bench near her mother. She had a handkerchief with the moon upon it; she let it fall; her mother took it, and she would not take it back. After the high mass she ran away, losing in her hurry a slipper. The King's son found it, and had it cried everywhere that she who lost should come and claim it and he would make her his wife. All the young women tried it, but it would not fit. He bade Cendreusette's mother bring her daughters. Cendreusette went dressed in her gown on which were the fishes, and wearing the other slipper, and the Prince took her for his wife."

An Ugly Ceiling.

Who has not sometimes lived in a house in which some common room had a very ugly ceiling? Perhaps some of us may be in just such a place now. The plaster was rough in the first place, or has been badly cracked, or the water has come through a bad roof and soaked it off in patches which refuse to be mended in a creditable manner. Altogether it is an uncompromising eyesore. What shall we do with it that it may not be so out of keeping with the room which we are trying to make warm and cozy for winter? It cannot be made presentable by paint or calcimining; what next?

Cover it up. Let it serve merely as a foundation for something pretty. A new suggestion from people who are supposed to be artistic, is to lay off such a ceiling into suitable panels, and cover these panels with plain basket-checked burlap, tacked on very smooth, and painted some light tint, like pale-blue, pink, green, olive, brown, or cream. The lines where the pieces join are then to be covered with inexpensive narrow moldings, which must be neatly fitted at the corners. They may then be gilded if desired. A cheaper method is to tack on small rope for this purpose, with smooth, slender brads, and then gild it carefully; but in the hands of any but professional decorators we fear it could not be neatly done at the corners and places where the pieces of rope would join.

There is no reason why the burlap could not be applied to the walls also in similar panels and painted a darker shade. Flat walnut moldings would be suitable for walls. Painted walls are among the best for living rooms. Dull-red, olive, and light chocolate are very pretty and suitable with either painted or paper borders.

A Bequest to His Betrothed.

When James Marsh of Yonkers, N. Y., made his will he was engaged to be married to Miss Laura Norcross of Boston. The second clause of the will ran thus:

"I bequeath to my love, Laura Norcross, daughter of Otis Norcross, the sum of $10,000, with which I request her to erect over my grave a monument. If she deem it advisable she may purchase with a portion of the said $10,000 a plot of ground in such cemetery as she may select, and move my remains thither, and there erect the said monument with the balance of the said $10,000."

The engagement of marriage was terminated several years ago before Mr. Marsh's death, and after his death Miss Norcross waived her right to the $10,000, and refused to accept the money either unconditionally or for the purpose of applying it in accordance with the request of the testator. Edward W. Packard then brought suit for a construction of the will as to whether a valid trust was created in respect to the $10,000, and, if so, whether it was a trust which the court will appoint a trustee to execute. Mr. Justice Bartlett says in his opinion:

"The testator wished his place of burial to be chosen not by some stranger but by the woman to whom he was betrothed. He left her at liberty to select any spot in the whole world which she might prefer. To her taste and affection he also committed it to choose the construction of an appropriate monument to mark his resting-place. It seems to have been perfectly clear that it could have been neither his wish nor intention that these delicate duties and responsibilities, if declined by her, should be discharged by other hands. It follows that the trust sought to be established under the second clause of the will has failed."

What She Studied.

It is a melancholy revelation, but the historian has become convinced that the female mind may actually become puffed up with Harvard knowledge, as well as that of the other sex. This is the incident that convinced him:

Two young women from different parts of the country, who thought they had graduated up all the regular schools and seminaries could teach, came to the Harvard Annex. The meditating maidens are fancy free at the Annex, and each elected her particular educational "vanity." After some weeks the girls, who hadn't met before, and knew as little of each other as if one had been studying in Patagonia and the other in Kamschatka, were introduced. After some little conversation, the one said to the other:

"May I ask what course of study you are taking?"

"Certainly. I am studying a little history, but my principal object in coming here was for a thorough course in English literature."

"Ah, yes. Well, I haven't bothered with anything of so little importance as a study. I came here with a real object. I am working on philosophy, beginning with the pre-Socratic period and taking up all the many schools that follow. I am reading Descartes and Schopenhauer and doing a little Spencer when I can. I intend to thoroughly grasp the subject!"

"Ah, well," replied the other, "I prefer to study English literature *per se* rather than philosophy *purblind!*"

Teeth Glittering with Diamonds.

While waiting in a New York dentist's anteroom for my turn to be tortured I could not help overhearing the conversation between a girl in the operating chair and the man who was improving her mouth. The talk indicated that diamonds were somehow being fused, and, of course, my curiosity was aroused. Pretty soon she came out. While standing in front of a mirror putting on her hat and cloak she smiled inspectively at herself in a manner critical of her teeth, and the flash of something inside her red lips caught my eyes. It was not the gleam of the pearl into which the poet has so long transformed beauty's tooth, but a brighter glint like that of a diamond.

She was a "hifalutin" creature in dress and manners and clearly capable of any freak of embellishment; but I was nevertheless astonished when the dentist said: "Yes, it was a diamond that you saw. I have set four in her teeth, the gold filling serving as the metal with which to imbed the gems in the cavities. No, I never heard of such a thing before. It was her own original device. What for? To advertise herself. She brought the diamonds, and they are probably worth $300 or $400 together, as very big ones could not be used. I suppose the diamond-mouthed woman will become famous in her way, and so the investment will prove satisfactory."

Anna Dickinson's Misfortunes.

In the case of Miss Anna Dickinson misfortunes have followed fast and followed faster until that once energetic woman finds herself in almost destitute circumstances. At one time Miss Dickinson seemed to have taken affairs at the flood tide which led to fortune, and for years she was the most successful woman before the American public, literally coining money with her lectures upon slavery and woman's rights, subjects then of absorbing interest to the public, but her vaulting ambition o'erleaped itself and she quit the platform, where she had won both fame and riches, for the stage, where she lost both. As a lecturer she was a success, as an actress she was a failure. Miss Dickinson very unjustly attributes this want of success to a conspiracy on the part of the press to kill her with light ridicule, and is full of bitterness towards newspaper-men. She invested a great deal of money in the production of her play, "A Crown of Thorns," which, after a short run, was withdrawn from the boards a pronounced failure. Added to this Miss Dickinson has sustained still more serious losses by a recent fire in Chicago, which destroyed most of her property, and today she is in a condition, if not of actual want, still of comparative poverty, and it is now proposed by the members of Sorosis to give her a benefit at an early date, the entertainment to consist of a lecture by Miss Dickinson on Joan of Arc. It is touching to witness the financial downfall of a woman who has struggled so bravely in her fight for what she deemed to be a righteous cause. Tradition says Miss Dickinson was once a crossing-sweeper in the streets of her native city, Philadelphia, and when a mere girl began to attract attention by her remarkable speeches at the Quaker meetings she attended. She soon afterwards took up the cause of the negro and awoke suddenly to find herself famous. She has supported her family a greater part of her life, and has always been a generous giver. Her greatest fault has been her aggressive manner of attacking what she considers the foibles of the age, and this aggressiveness has made her appear in the light of a disgreeable "crank," rather than as an earnest woman, as she is.

Annie Louise Cary's Romance.

The pretty romance of Miss Annie Louise Cary's life did not end where the novelist usually leaves the heroine, at the altar, but is still as fresh in her heart as it was on her wedding-day, and she is as happy a wife as can be found in the land. She is living with her husband, M